
Cypress Hills Métis Hunting Brigade Petition of 1878 for a Métis Reserve



History of the Cypress Hills Hunting Brigade The Petition of 1878 Biographies of the Petitioners

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Boundary Commission Scouts and Métis hunters from the “Big Camp” of the Cypress Hills Métis Hunting Brigade, July 18, 1874.

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Cypress Hills Métis Hunting Brigade History

In 1878, the Half-Breeds living in the vicinity of Cypress Hills petitioned the government for their own reserve. This is a petition requested a re-opening of the buffalo hunt between November 14th and February 15th each year and the granting of Métis “reserve” land. The request was for a strip of land 150 miles long along the American border beginning where the Pembina River crosses the border, running west for 150 miles into Saskatchewan. This strip was to be fifty miles from south to north. The petition did not receive a favourable response. This petition was prompted by famine.

Through 1877, tension mounted throughout the prairies over the increasingly precarious food situation. The arrival of several thousand refugee Sioux from the United States exacerbated the food shortage as dwindling bison herds were incapable of providing adequate sustenance for all groups on the plains...

The bison population in American territory was further undermined by increased hunting, augmented by the arrival of a railway in Dakota Territory, and an outright extermination program, undertaken by the U.S. Army as a means of “pacifying” the Aboriginal population.⁴⁶ In addition to pressure on the herds from the south, 3,600 people who had taken treaty and had moved to reserves abandoned their new homes to follow the dwindling herds to the Cypress Hills, temporarily abandoning agriculture for the hunt...

The precarious food situation developed into a full-blown crisis during the winter of 1877-78, known as the “Black Winter” because of the absence of snow.

Accounts of hardship and starvation resulting from exceedingly warm temperatures and the dearth of snow were reported as far north as the Athabasca and the Mackenzie, and as far to the northeast as Cumberland House. The prairie fires resulting from the drought drove the remaining herds of bison into the high country of the Cypress Hills. Police Commissioner James Macleod’s report submitted in the spring of 1878 stressed that the situation on the southern plains was “entirely different from any we have experienced since the arrival of the force in the country.”

...John Tobias noted that in 1878, more than half of the reserve populations in the areas covered by Treaties 4 and 6 abandoned their homes for the Cypress Hills in a desperate search of food.¹

At the time this petition was made for a reserve, south of the border, the Turtle Mountain Chippewa-Cree and Métis still did not have an agreement for their land base in North Dakota. The 1863 Old Crossing Treaty had dealt with land belonging to the Pembina Chippewa east of the Red River. As settlers moved into the Dakota Territory they became more anxious about their land. In 1882 this was still an issue for them and Chief Little Shell and 500 Métis had made an effort to get the settlers out of the Turtle Mountain area. It is noteworthy that a large number of Little Shell Band members, and councilors to Chief Little Shell were part of this hunting band and signed the petition.

Although the Métis in the “postage stamp” province of Manitoba were to receive land for themselves and their children, this distribution had only just begun. There was now a movement and numerous petitions to secure Métis lands in the North West Territories.

¹ J. W. Daschuk, Paul Hackett and Scott MacNeil. “Treaties and Tuberculosis: First Nations People in late 19th-Century Western Canada, a Political and Economic Transformation.” *Canadian Bulletin of Medical History/BCHM*, Vol. 23, No. 3, 2006: 307-330.

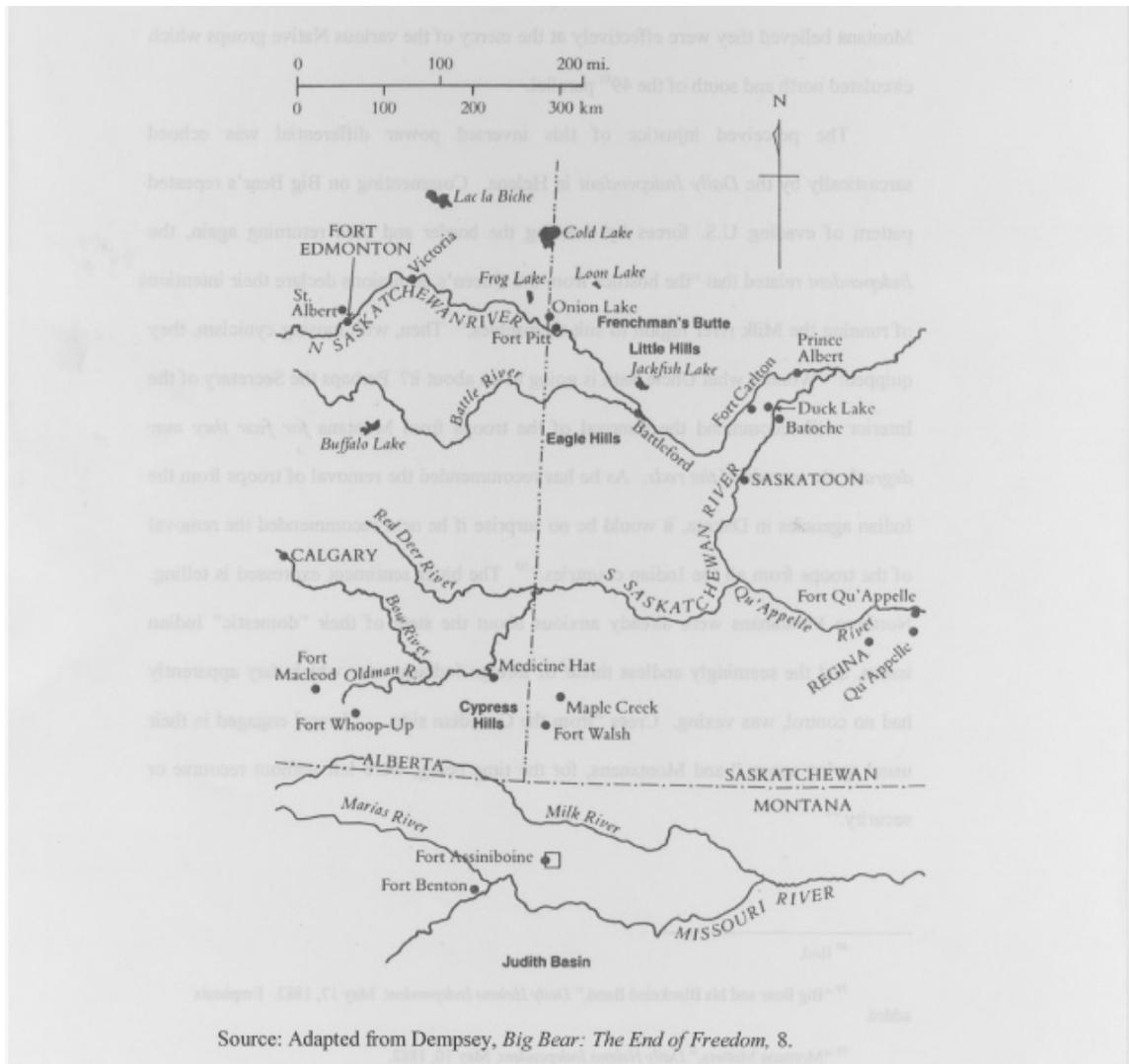
Similarly the Saulteaux, Cree, Nakota and Métis buffalo hunters had been regularly gathering on the Milk river plains along the border at Cypress Hills then following the herds along the Milk River and down into the Judith Basin of Montana. These groups wanted a reserve in the Cypress Hills area but the government wanted to move them off the border and up to the Qu'Appelle Valley. Although the treaties had been signed by many groups their reserve lands had not been selected.

This meeting and petition was one of the last great assemblies of the *Nehiyaw Pwat* (literally Plains Cree-Nakota) alliance which was also known as the Iron Alliance. This was an historic polyethnic group comprised of Plains Cree, Plains Ojibwa (Chippewa), Métis, and Assiniboine (Nakoda or Stoney) peoples.² Several men in this group, had fought alongside Cuthbert Grant at *la prairie di la Goornouyayr* (Frog Plain) or the Battle of Seven Oaks in 1816. Many members of the Cypress Hills hunting brigade were descendants of those who fought at Frog Plain, for example, the Bonno (Bonneau), Grant, Houle, Deschamps, Desmarais, Ducharme, Falcon, Gariepy, Langé (Langer), McKay, Pelletier, Lafontaine, Morin, and Trottier families.

The Chippewa/Saulteaux, Cree, Nakota and Métis buffalo hunters had been regularly hunting from the big bend of the Souris River down through the Grand Coteau³ to the Missouri River and as the buffalo diminished, gathering along the border at Cypress Hills then following the herds along the Milk River, Missouri River, and down into the Judith Basin of Montana. These groups wanted a reserve in the Cypress Hills area but the government wanted to move them off the border and up to the Qu'Appelle Valley. Although the treaties had been signed by many groups their reserve lands had not been selected.

² The people in this group were associated with the following bands, most of which were polyethnic in composition: Pembina Band, Little Shell Band, Turtle Mountain Band, St. François Xavier (Saulteaux Village) Band, Nakawiniuk (Wilkie's) Band, L'Ous Fou (or Crazy Bear) Band, Canoe Band (Nakoda), Four Claws (Gordon) Band, Nekaneet Band, Carry the Kettle Band, Rocky Boy Band, Montana Band, Muscowequan Band, Beards's Band, Carlton Stragglers Band, Petaquakey Band (Muskeg Lake), Mistawasis Band, Dumont Band, Big Bear Band, Red Stone Band, Maski Pitonew Band, Bobtail (Piche) Band, the Moose Mountain group of White Bear Band, Striped Blanket Band and Prison Drum Band, and the Crooked Lakes group of Cowessess Band, Ochapowace Band, Kahkewistahow Band and Sakimay Band.

³ Eighteen people who were present at the Battle of the Grand Coteau in 1851 signed this petition, including Jean Baptiste "Che-ma-ma" Falcon (b. 1826) the Hunting Brigade leader at Grand Coteau.



Catchment Area of the Nehiyaw Pwat and Métis Hunting in the Cypress Hills

A number of men of the Cypress Hills Hunting Brigade were present at the Battle of the Grand Coteau in 1851.⁴ These men are:

- Pascal Breland (b. 1811)
- Patrice Breland (b. 1837)
- Thomas Breland (b. 1842)
- Isidore Dumont Sr. *dit* Ecapow. (1810-1885)
- Jean Baptiste “Che-ma-ma” Falcon (b. 1826) Brigade leader at Grand Coteau.
- Louis “Mar-yarm-mons” Laframboise (b. 1842), with his parents.
- Augustin Laframboise (b. 1844), with his parents.

⁴ This battle took place between a Métis buffalo hunting party from St. François Xavier, led by Jean Baptiste Falcon and the Cut Head (Pabaksa) Yanktonai (Ihanktonwanna), Dakota, led by Chief Medicine (Sacred) Bear, on July 15 to 16, 1851.

- Gabriel Leveille (b. 1829)
- Pierre Leveille (b. 1829)
- Louis Malaterre (b. 1834), his brother Jean Baptiste Malaterre (b. 1815) was killed at the Grand Coteau.
- Alexis Malaterre (b. 1825), his brother Jean Baptiste Malaterre (b. 1815) was killed.
- Andre Trottier (b. 1816)
- Antoine Trottier (b. 1834)
- Charles DeMontigny (b. 1845), with his parents.
- Toby David Poitras (b. 1834) with his parents.
- Theodore Poitras (b. 1842), with his parents.
- Edward Donald Wells (b. 1837)
- Edouard “Neddy” Wells (b.c. 1810-12)
- James François Whitford (b. 1827)

A number of men in this hunting brigade were part of the Pembina and Little Shell Bands and had received Half-Breed Scrip under the Treaty of April 12, 1864, with the Red Lake and Pembina Half-Breeds. The Treaty known as “The Treaty of Old Crossing” took place with the bands proper in 1863 at the place where the Red River Cart trail crosses the Red Lake River in Minnesota. The bands ceded all their land east of the Red River in Minnesota through these agreements. The Métis each received scrip for 160 acres. Among those listed, Baptiste Champagne and Baptiste Davis, were both Head Men for Chief Little Shell. It should also be noted that three of Cuthbert Grant’s sons, Charles (b. 1825), Charles Cuthbert Bay-ris Grant (b. 1835) and James Grant (b. 1837) were members of the Little Shell Band and Bay-ris was as councillor for both Chief Little Shell II and Little Shell III. Kar-yence Delorme was a counsellor to Little Shell III. Other men on the list below are the bothers, fathers or grandfathers of people in the Cypress Hills hunting brigade.

Men receiving Half-Breed Scrip under the treaty of 1864:

- Jean Baptiste Champagne (b. 1831)
- Baptiste Boience Davis (b. 1822)
- Charles Bottineau (b. 1847)
- Jean Baptiste Collins (b. 1794)
- “Kar-yence” Joseph Delorme (b. 1838)
- Jean Baptiste Ducharme (Duchaune) (b. 1826)
- Jean Baptiste Garapee (Gariepy) (b. 1832)
- Michel “Tche-quon-ence” Gladu. (b.c. 1830)
- Jean Baptiste Langé (Langer) (b. c. 1850-55)
- Xavier Laverdure (b. 1843)
- Jean Baptiste Ledoux (Ladoux) (b.c. 1806)
- Antoine Ouellette (b. 1839)
- Joseph Ouelette Sr. (b. 1799)
- Joseph Ouellette Jr. (b. 1824)
- Charles Trottier (b. 1839)

- Michel Trottier (b. 1832)
- John Wells (Wills) (b. 1848)

On September 7, 1876, 30 Métis at Fort Walsh submitted a petition, on behalf of the Métis of the four districts of Assiniboia to join Treaty 4. They asked that;

That the Government allow us to relinquish our land claims which we understand the Government has granted in the province of Manitoba and in relinquishing such claims that we be admitted into No. 4 Treaty and to reserve the same distribution of annuity money as the Indian and to be treated in Common the same as the Indian is, with the exception that we be privileged to select our own chief.

And stated;

We further add that we are Half Breeds of the Cree and Saulteaux Tribes, and that we have lived from childhood upon the prairie and adopted the customs of the Indians.

A number of these men were then involved in the 1878 Cypress Hills Petition for a reserve. The men who signed both of these petitions are:

- Jean Charette (b. 1843)
- Alex Gardy (Gaddy) Sr.
- Bonaventure Gariepy (b. 1825)
- François Lafontaine (b. 1847)
- Daniel Ledoux (b. 1848)
- Joseph Lemire (b. 1833)
- Joseph Léveillé (b. 1843)
- Peter “Pierre” Léveillé (b. 1829)
- Louis Militaire (Malaterre) (b. 1834)
- Joseph Parisien (b. 1835)
- Baptiste Pelletier (b. 1846)
- Alex Pelletier (b. 1854)
- John Wells (b. 1848)

On August 6, 1880, Louis Riel and a group of Métis living in Montana petitioned General Nelson A. Miles for a special Métis reservation in Montana. Twenty of the men signing this petition had also signed the Cypress Hills Métis Petition in 1878. These men are:

- Jean Charette (b. 1843)
- Joseph Charette (b. 1850)
- Michel Davis (b. 1853)
- William Davis (b. 1824)
- François Xavier Fagnant (b. 1834)
- Theophile Fagnant (b. 1863)

- William “Kee-tar-kiss” Fagnant (b. 1852)
- Baptiste Gariépy (b. 1832)
- Elie Gariépy (b. 1857)
- Louis Gariépy (b. 1828)
- Leonide Gariépy (b. 1852)
- Severe Hamelin (b. 1852)
- Antoine Lafontaine dit Faillant (b. 1849)
- William Laframboise (b. 1853)
- Pierre “Ah-zhow-e-ge-shig” Laverdure (b. 1860)
- Pierre Levielle (b. 1829)
- Norman Marion (b. 1854)
- Antoine “Ratte”Ouellette (b. 1834)
- Joseph Ouellette (b. 1847)
- Edouard Wells (b. 1806)

After this petition was sent life became even more difficult for the Métis. Raymond Huel reports:

[On December 9, 1879] From Fort Qu’Appelle, J. Hugonnard informed Taché that three fires had destroyed the hay in the region and that a large number of Métis were taking refuge in the United States. [On January 2, 1880] There were 130 families dispersed in 12 camps along the Milk River and Riel was in their midst. In January 1880, Ambroise Lépine advised Taché that provisions were scarce in the Cypress Hills and that a number of Métis families had to go to the Milk River basin to save their children from starvation. Lépine stated that a large number of individuals were not happy with the manner in which the government was treating them. He complained furthermore, that the government liked to deceive those whom it dealt with.⁵

⁵ Raymond Huel, *Archbishop A.A. Taché of St. Boniface*. Edmonton: University of Alberta Press, 2003: 201.

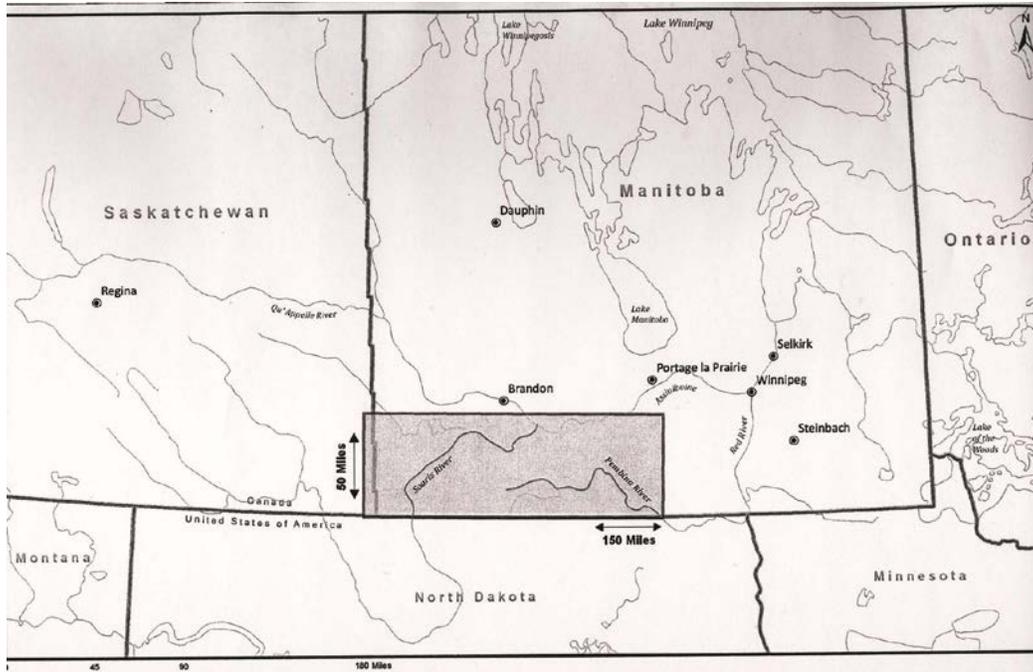


July 18, 1874, Métis hunting camp, of the Cypress Hills Métis Hunting Brigade, south of Cypress Hills, over 200 teepees and 2,000 horses This Boundary Commission photograph is provided courtesy of the Boissevain Community Archives, MG1/B3, the Cartwright Collection.

Petition of 1878 from the Cypress Hills Métis

This is a petition requesting a re-opening of the buffalo hunt between November 14th and February 15th each year and the granting of Métis “reserve” land. The request was for a strip of land 150 miles long along the American border beginning where the Pembina River crosses the border. This strip was to be fifty miles from south to north.

A map⁶ showing the land requested for the reserve is shown below:



Petition from Half-Breeds Living in Vicinity of Cypress Hills received through the North-West Council, not dated, covering letters from the Lieut.-Governor of the North-West Territories, dated 30 September 1878:⁷

To the President and Honorable Members of the Privy Council of the North-West Territories:

The humble request of the undersigned, all Half-Breeds, living in the vicinity of Cypress Mountains, exposes very respectfully:

1. For a number of years we have always been in the habit of roaming over the prairies of the North-West for the purpose of hunting, above all other animals the buffalo, thereby sustaining our families.

⁶ Map by Cameron Stewart and Jim Jerome, MMF.

⁷ *Canada Sessional Papers*, No. 45, 1886: 10-12 and *Canada Sessional Papers*, No. 116, 1885: 31-36. The lists of signatories differ somewhat between documents so the list that follows is a melding of names from the two lists.

2. That the hunting of buffalo is the only means of subsistence in this part of the Province.
3. That before the arrival of the North-West Mounted Police, who came to put in force the laws and tranquilize the various Indian tribes, they had to defend themselves all alone against the continued attacks of the savages, and often had to spill their blood in procuring food for their children.
4. That the chase of the buffalo is today, for your petitioners, the sole and only means of subsistence, and their last resource in obtaining food for their wives and children.
5. That your petitioners have ever entertained a high respect for the civil and military authorities sent thither by the Government, and that they will always hold the same sentiments of submission to the laws, that it may please your excellent body to pass from time to time, with a view to the peace and prosperity of the Province.
6. That the majority of us, upon the cession of the Province to the Canadian Government, were temporarily absent, and were thereby deprived of the benefit of the scrip given to those Half-Breeds who were, at that time, present in the Province.
7. That last year your council, having passed a certain regulation relative to the hunters in the North-West Territory.
8. That by this same regulation the Half-Breeds are prevented from hunting from the 14th day of November in each year.
9. And also that the Indians are only restrained from the 15th day of February in each year, or three months later.
10. That the period of this prohibition is actually the very time when the animal produces the most benefit; in the first place, the meat of the cow being then only fit for food; secondly, the pelt being in season to make the best robes, and the one commanding the highest prices in the market.
11. That the Half-Breeds, by this law, are placed in a critical and embarrassing situation, as they find themselves deprived of their only possible means of supporting families.
12. That they see no reason why you will not accord to them at least the same privileges that are granted to Indians, regarding the chase.
13. That the greater part of us have no more than the Indians the ability to amass sufficient provisions for five or six months in advance.

For these reasons your petitioners ever humbly pray your council to take into consideration the critical position in which they are placed by your order of last year, concerning the buffalo; and having judged by the rectitude of their intention, and of the delicate position in which so many families will be placed by the execution of this law, they ask you to amend the clause referred to above, granting them the same rights and privileges that are allowed the Indians, in regard to the hunting of buffalo in the North-West Territory;

2. Considering the desire that your petitioners have of adopting a life more conforming to a true civilization;

Considering that, according to the actual habits and ordinary disposition of the Half-Breeds in general, it is impossible for them to form any congregation profitable

to their families among the white immigrants who are establishing themselves in the North-West Territory;

That it may please your council to obtain for the undersigned a section of land for a special reserve, perpetual and inalienable, upon which they can establish themselves in a permanent manner, and fix their families, to the exclusion of all whites, except such employees as the Government shall find proper to send there, according to the needs of the population.

3. Your petitioners would respectfully represent to your council their desire to have defined the situation and limit of the reserve above mentioned as follows:—

Commencing at a point upon the international line, where crossed by the Pembina River; thence running west along said line 150 miles; thence at right angles, north 50 miles; thence due east, 150 miles; thence due south, 50 miles, to point of beginning.

4. Your petitioners beg leave to state to your council that the land above described is the only one offering to the Half-Breeds the requisite facilities for a permanent home.

5. Considering the state of poverty in which the Half-Breeds are at present, that the above mentioned trail may be given to them in such a way that they can live thereon free from taxes, &c., whether for ever or for a sufficient term of years, that at the end they can pay them without detriment to their families.

They demand for the same reason, that they will be allowed school houses, school masters and school mistresses, whose expenses shall be defrayed by the Government; also churches, and the priests of their religion.

2nd. For the sure and speedy advancement of the Half-Breeds, they ask to be allowed mechanics, to whom they can apply in times of need, and by whom they may be taught the various necessary arts of civilized life, as blacksmiths, carpenters, shoemakers, &c.

3rd. for the first five years of their establishment they may be given seeds according to their need.

And your petitioners will always ask, &c.

Signed by:

(This list also includes the names of the signatories of the “Petition for a change in Ordinance No. 5, from the Cypress Hills Hivernants, August 2, 1878. Canada Sessional Paper No. 116, 1885: 33-35.)

Allard, Michel
Allard, William
Barland (Breland), Moses
Barland, Sahsoe
Barland, Xavier
Barland, Zacharias
Bédard, Trefflé
Boie (Bois), Ambroise
Bois, François
Bois, Joseph Jr.
Bois, Joseph Sr.
Bois, Norbert
Bonno (Bonneau), Basile

Bonno, Charles
Bonno, Gabriel
Bonno, Henri
Bonno, Julien
Bonno, Michel
Bonno, Pierre Jr.
Bonno, Pierre Sr.
Boosah (Bossé), Abraham
Boosah, Pierre Jr.
Boosah, Pierre Sr.
Bosse, William
Bottineau, Elzéar
Bourquin (Bottineau), Joseph (Jose)

Bouvier, Casimir
Boyer, David
Breland, Pascal
Breland, Patrice
Breland, Thomas
Bremner, Peter
Brière (Bruyere), Baptiste
Brière, Brisebois
Brière, Cléophas
Brière, Jérémie
Brière, Louison
Caisse, Joseph
Canada, Alexandre
Canada, Antoine
Canada, Antoine Jr.
Caplote (Caplette), Paul
Cardinal, Chs. Pierre
Champagne, Baptiste
Chanssgno, Baptiste
Charette, Joseph
Choquette, Jean
Chercoté, Edouard
Chercoté, Madais (Médard)
Chercoté, Pascal
Chercoté, Vital
Claigues, Andrie
Claignes, Michel
Clyne, Duffle
Clyne, William
Davis, Alexandre Jr.
Davis, Augustin
Davis, Baptiste Jr.
Davis, Louis
Davis, Michel
Davis, William
Delorme, Bernard
Delorme, François
Delorme, Joseph
Delorme, Norbert
Desjarlais, Deume
Desmarais, John
Dosa, Baptiste
Duffle, Bedore
Dumont, Isidore Jr.
Dumont, Isidore Jr. (2)
Dumont, Isidore Sr.
Dusanne, Baptiste
Dusanne, Chrysostôme
Dusanne, Cuthbert
Dusanne, Eyasant (Lyasant)
Dusanne, Wallace

Falcoe, Baptiste
Farmah, Edward Say
Farmah, Leander Say
Fayand, François
Fayand, Duffle (Trefflé)
Fayand, Xavier
Fayiant, William
Feroux, Modesse
Fiddler, Peter
Gaddy, Alexandre
Gaddy, James
Gaddy, William
Gariépy, Baptiste
Gariépy, Bonaventure
Gariépy, Ellica (Elie)
Gariépy, Deonieed (Leonide)
Gariépy, Louis
Giroux, Modeste
Gladu, Antoine Jr.
Gladu, Antoine Sr.
Gladu, Michel Jr.
Grant, James
Haggat, Louis
Hamelin, Sévère
Houle (Oule), Alexandre
Jolibois, Baptiste
Kieise, Joseph
Klyne, André
Klyne, Michel
Kole (Cole, Houle), André
Kole (Houle), Calice
Kole (Houle), François
L'édoux, Napoléon
La Maire, Chs. Pierre
Labombarde, Alexandre
Labruler, Maxime
Labruler, Napoléon
Labruler, Pierre
Lafontaine, Antoine
Lafontaine, François
Lafontaine, Gaspard
Lafontaine, Louis
Lafontaine, Napoléon
Lafournaise, Terume (Jérôme)
Lafournaise, William
Laframboise, Augustin
Laframboise, Daniel
Laframboise, Edouard
Laframboise, Jean Baptiste
Laframboise, William
Lan-Dre (Landry), Moses`

Langé (Langer), Jean Baptiste
Lantigras (Lattergrass), Pierre
LaPierre, Ambroise
Lapierre, Moïse
Laplante, Antoine
Laplante, Antoine
Laplante, David
Laplante, Oliver
Larivez, Paul
Lavadure, David Jr.
Lavallée, Pierre
Lavallée, Che Pierre
Laverdure, Léon
Laverdure, Narcisse
Laverdure, Che Pierre
Le Mair, Joseph
Le Maire, Pierre
Le Maire, Che Pierre
Ledoux, Daniel
Ledoux, Pierre
Lemire, François
Lemire, Xavier
Leplante, Antoine
LeRat, Zacharie
Letendre, Moïse
Léveillé, Gabriel
Léveillé, Isaïe
Léveillé, Joseph
Léveillé, Paul
Léveillé, Pierre
Léveillé, Pierre
Léveillé, Pierre Sr.
Léveillé, Thomy (Thomas)
Léveillé, Wasco
Lindenie, Culbert
Magills, Alexandre
Malaterre, Alexandre
Malaterre, Alexis
Malaterre, Charlie
Malaterre, John
Malaterre, Louis
Malaterre, Louis Jr.
Malette, Antoine
Malette, Isidore
Marion, Joseph Edouard
Marion, Maxime
Marion, Norman
McKay, Léonore,
Méchiale, Daniel
Michael (Michel), Joseph
Montigny, Charles

Montigny, Patrick
Morin, Louis
Morin, Pierre
Moron, Alexandre
Morrard, Alexander
Morrison, Edward
Ouellette, Antoine
Ouellette, Jean Baptiste
Ouellette, James
Ouellette, Joseph Sr.
Ouellette, Joseph Jr.
Ouellette, Julien
Ouellette, Patrice
Parenteau, Elie
Parisien, Joseph
Patrice, Isidore
Pelloche, Adolphus
Pelloche, Alexandre
Pelloche, Alexandre
Pelloche, Baptiste
Pelloche, Baptiste Sr.
Pelloche, Cuthbert
Pelloche, Cuthbert
Pelloche, Edouard
Pelloche, Jean Baptiste
Pelloche, Lasselog
Pelloche, Napoléon
Pelloche, Paul
Pelloche, William
Peltier, Alique
Peltier, Baptiste, Sr.
Peltier, Cuthbert
Poitras, Baptiste
Poitras, David
Poitras, François
Poitras, Gabriel
Poitras, Joseph
Poitras, Salomon
Poitras, Termie
Racette, Augustin
Racette, Baptiste
Robillard, Chrysostôme
Rochelblave, Antoine
Ross, Pierre
Ross, Roderick
Ross, Urban
Ross, William
Sanderson, James
Santigras, Pierre
Shakote, Jean
Sinclair, William

Smolemie (Smalemie), Pierre
Soan, William Jr.
Soan, William Sr.
Sparvie, Jean Baptiste
Sparvie, Joseph Jr.
Sparvie, Joseph Sr.
Sparvie, Paul
Sparvie, St. Pierre
Sparvie, William
St. Denée (St. Denis), Célestin
St. Denis, Cuthbert
St. Denis, Michel
St. Germain, André
Swane (Swain), Alexandre
Swane, Baptiste
Swane, John
Swane, Kersore
Swane, William
Tait, Cuthbert
Tait, Joseph Jr.
Tait, Joseph Sr.
Tait, Thomas
Teboure, Wescoe (Isaïe)
Teboure, William
Thomas, Bernard
Thomas, Joseph
Trottier, Alexandre Jr.
Trottier, Alexandre Sr.
Trottier, Andrew (André) Jr.
Trottier, Andrew (André) Sr.
Trottier, Antoine
Trottier, Charles
Trottier, Henri
Trottier, Zedore (Isidore)
Trottier, Jean Baptiste

Trottier, John
Trottier, Michel
Trottier, Norbert
Trottier, William
Turner [Tanner], Jean
Vallée, Moïse
Vilbrune, Joseph
Vital, Henri
Wallet, Joseph Jr.
Walette, Antoine
Walette, Baptiste
Walette, James
Walette, Joseph Sr.
Walette, Julien
Walette, Patrice
Welsh, Albert
Welsh, Damase
Welsh, Donald
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Welsh, Gregory
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Welsh, Norbert
Welsh, Samuel
Welsh, William
Welsh, Xavier
Welsy, John
Whiteford, James
Whitford, Elzior
Whitford, James Jr.
Whitford, Louis
Whitford, Maxime

Biographies of the Petitioners



Boundary Commission Scouts and Métis hunters from the “Big Camp” of the Cypress Hills Métis Hunting Brigade, July 18, 1874. Note the number of men who are wearing vests

This Boundary Commission photograph is provided courtesy of the Boissevain Community Archives, MG1/B3, the Cartwright Collection.

Allard dit Leclerc, Michel. (b. 1840)

Michel “La vioy” Leclerc dit Allard was born on September 29, 1840, the son of Ambroise Allard and Marguerite Chalifoux. Michel married Elizabeth Ross, the daughter of Hugh Ross and Sarah Short, in 1862 at St. François Xavier. He was a Turtle Mountain Band member.

Scrip affidavit for Allard, Michel; born: 1845; father: Ambroise Allard (Métis); mother: Marguerite Challifou (Métis); claim no: 1074; date of issue: Aug. 20, 1876; amount: \$160.

Scrip affidavit for Allard, Elizabeth; wife of Michel Allard; born: 1848; father: Hugh Ross (Scot); mother: Sarah Short (Métis); claim no: 1075; date of issue: Aug. 20, 1876; amount: \$160

Allard, William. (b. 1867)

William was born on January 12, 1867 at St. François Xavier, the son of Michel Leclerc dit Allard and Elizabeth Ross. He married Marie St. Germain (Métis) the daughter of François St. Germain and Therese Bonneau. They had three children: Batsy, born 1884 at Rock Lake (died 1885); Joseph, born 1892 who married Justine Wilkie, then Adele Laverdure; and Eliza born 1900 who married William Delorme. Subsequently in 1882 at St. John, North Dakota he married Marie Josephine Brien, the daughter of Antoine Brien and Josephte Azure.

Allary, Caroline. (b. 1858)

Caroline was the daughter of Pierre Henry dit Allary (b. 1832) and Angélique Parisien (b. 1837 Sweet Grass, Montana). She married Jean Baptiste Pelletier (b. 1856), the son of Antoine Pelletier and Julie Fournier.

Allary, Marie Louise. (b. 1856)

Louise was born on January 30, 1856. She was the daughter of François Allary born in 1828 and Charlotte Malaterre, born in 1832 at St Boniface. Her grandparents were Jean Baptiste Malaterre and Angélique Adams. She married Jeremie Bruyere born in 1854, the son of Jean Baptiste Bruyere and Angélique Guilbault.

Azure, Marie Anne. (b. 1852)

Marie Anne was the daughter of Charles Azure and Nancy Grant. Nancy was the daughter of Cuthbert Grant and Marie McGillis. Marie Anne married Narcisse Laverdure the son of Pierre Laverdure and Catherine Charette.

Barland; See Breland.

Beauchamp, Pelagie. (b. 1860)

Pelagie was born on October 10, 1860 in St Norbert, the daughter of Jerome Beauchamp and Genvieve Parisien. She married Pierre Leveille, the son of Louison Leveille and Marguerite Gervais.

Bédard, Trefflé. (b. 1831)

Possibly: Eustache Bérard:

Bérard, Eustache - Concerning his claim as head of family - Address, Calgary - Born, Edmonton, 1831 - Father, Louis Bérard, (French Canadian) - Mother, Catherine Hughes, (Métis) - Married, 1854 at St. Boniface to Marguerite Primeau - Children living, eight (names on application) - Children deceased, five - Scrip for \$160 - Claim 232.

Berard, Josephte. (b. 1834)

Josephte was the daughter of Pierre Berard and Louise Moreau. She married Louison Bruyere (b. 1842), the son of Jean Baptiste Bruyere and Angélique Guilbault.

Birston, Clemence. (b. 1850)

Clemence was born in St François Xavier, the daughter of William Gaddy Birston and Madeleine Gonneville. She married Xavier Lemire, the son of Joseph Lemire and Julie Martin, in 1871 at Lebret.

Birston, Françoise. (b. c. 1849)

Françoise was born in St François Xavier, the daughter of William Gaddy Birston and Madeleine Gonneville. She married François Lemire, the son of Joseph Lemire and Julie Martin, in 1867 at St. François Xavier.

Bois: See Dubois

Bonno (Bonneau), Basile. (b. 1848)

Basile Bonneau was born at St. François Xavier, the son of Pierre Bonneau Sr. and Louise Gariépy. He died at age 30 at Lac Qu'Appelle shortly after this petition was sent.

Manitoba Scrip Application:

Bonneau, Basile; HB Child; Filed: Pierre Bonneau, Sr.; Baie St. Paul; Marquette; b. 20 Feb. 1851, St. François Xavier; d. 6 Nov 1878, NWT; bu. Lake Qu'Appelle; Pierre Bonneau, heir and father; Pierre Bonneau (x); 16 June 1875. C-14925

Bonno (Bonneau), Charles. (b. 1845)

Charles Bonneau was born at Oak Lake, the son of Pierre Bonneau Sr. and Louise Gariépy. He married Rosalie Poitras (b. 1854), the daughter of Gabriel Poitras and Isabelle Malaterre.⁸

Bonno (Bonneau), Gabriel. (b. 1869)

Gabriel was born at Wood Mountain, the son of Michel Paul dit Bonneau and Eliza Boyer. This family lived at Swift Current and Wood Mountain.

Bonno, Henri

Bonno (Bonneau), Julien. (b. 1857)

Julien was born on February 16, 1857, the son of Pierre Bonneau Sr. and Louise Gariépy at St. François Xavier.

Manitoba Scrip Application:

Bonneau, Julien; HB Child; Baie St. Paul; Marquette; voyageur; b. 22 Feb 1857, St. François Xavier; age 22; Pierre Bonneau (HB) is father; Louise Gariépy (HB) is mother; French: Julien Bonneau (x); 16 June 1879; Pierre Bonneau, Sr. (x); Pierre Bonneau, Jr.. C-14925.

Bonneau, Marie. (b. 1839)

Marie was the daughter of Pierre Bonneau and Louise Gariépy. She married François Xavier Fagnant, the son of François Fagnant and Madeleine Lemire in 1862 at St. François Xavier. Her father and three of her brothers signed this cypress Hills petition.

Bonno (Paul dit Bonneau), Michel. (b. 1840)

Michel was the son of Paul Paul and Madeleine Vivier. He married Eliza Boyer, the daughter

⁸ Bonneau, Charles - Concerning his claim as a head of family - Address, Fort Qu'Appelle - Born, Oak Lake, Aug. 20, 1844 - Father, Pierre Bonneau, (Métis) - Mother, LaLouise Gariépy, (Métis) - Married, Jan. 20, 1870 at Dung Hills to Rosalie Poitras - Children living, five (names on declaration) - Children deceased, two - Scrip for \$160 - Claim 98

ter of Louis Boyer and Madeleine Trottier at St. François Xavier in 1862. Eliza Boyer's sister Cecile Boyer was married to Norbert Welsh another signatory to this petition. A third sister, Clemence Boyer, was married to Joseph Lemire whose biography appears below.

Paul, Michel; address: Swift Current; born: 1840 at St. Norbert; father: Paulette Paul (Métis); mother: Madeleine Vivier (Métis); married: 1862 at St. François Xavier to Eliza Boyer; children living: Catherine, Reni, Gabriel, Madeleine, Baptiste, Marie, Josephine, John and Susanne; children deceased: Clemence and Patrice; scrip for \$160.00; claim no. 8.

Bonno (Bonneau), Pierre Jr. (b. 1853)

Pierre Bonneau Jr. was born on September 17, 1853 at St. François Xavier, the son of Pierre Sr. and Louise Gariepy at St. François Xavier.

Manitoba Scrip Application:

Bonneau, Pierre, Jr.; HB Child; Baie St. Paul; Marquette; b. Aug 1855; St. François Xavier; age 24; Pierre Bonneau, Sr. (HB) is father; Louise Gariepy (HB) is mother; French: Pierre Bonneau (x); 16 June 1879; Piere Bonneau, Jr. (x); Antoine Larocque (x). C-14925

Bonno (Bonneau), Pierre Sr. (b. 1803)

Four members of the family of Pierre Bonneau Sr. (b. 1803) signed this Cypress Hills petition Pierre Sr. and sons Pierre Jr., Charles and Julien. Pierre's brother François is believed to be the François Bono who was with Baptiste Lafontaine as an advance party for Cuthbert Grant when the Battle of Seven Oaks took place in 1816. They returned to the battle scene from Frog Plain. At trial (York, Upper Canada, 1818) Bonneau testified that he had fallen from his horse and was not present at the battle.

On September 2, 1880 the Métis of the Qu'Appelle Settlement petitioned Governor Alexander Morris for land, hunting rights and trading rights. The leaders of this group were Pierre Bonneau Sr. (b. 1803), Peter Lapierre (b. 1827) and Simon Blondeau [Blondin] (b. 1827) and Augustin Brabant Sr. (b. 1828).

Pierre Bonneau was born on March 22, 1803 at Oak Lake, the son of Jean Baptiste Bonneau; born 27 May 1752⁹ and Louise Paccan

⁹ Jean-Baptiste Bonneau was born on April 15, 1758 at Vincennes, Indiana. He died 26 May 1842 at St. François Xavier, Jean-Baptiste married a second wife, Isabelle (Cree), born about 1755. She died on 14 October 1845 St-François-Xavier.

(Chippewa)¹⁰, they were married according to the custom of the country circa 1790; Jean Baptiste died 26 May 1842 at age 90 and was buried 27 May 1842 at St. François Xavier.

In 1828, Pierre married Louise Gariepy (b. 1815), the daughter of Louis Gariepy (b. 1782) and Josephite (Chippewa). His sons Pierre Jr., Charles and Julien were signatories to this petition.

Children:

- Marguerite Bonneau was born in Sep 1831 and died on 1 Oct 1832 in St Boniface Mission at age 1.
- Elizabeth Isabelle Bonneau was born on 6 September 1832.
- Pierre Bonneau was born in Mar 1833 and died on 1 July 1846 at age 13.
- Marie Bonneau was born in June 1839.
- Charles Bonneau was born on 22 August 1845 in Oak Lake Manitoba and died on 7 April 1886 at age 40.
- Basile Bonneau was born on 14 January 1848 in St Francis Xavier, and died on 6 November 1878 at age 30.
- Marie Elmiere Bonneau was born on 14 November 1851 in St Francis Xavier.
- Pierre Bonneau was born on 17 September 1854 in St Francis Xavier.
- Genevieve Bonneau was born on 17 September 1854 in St Francis Xavier.
- Julien Bonneau was born on 16 February 1857 in St Francis Xavier.
- Josette Bonneau was born on 22 April 1842 in St Francis Xavier, and died on 15 December 1843 at age 1.
- Jean Baptiste Bonneau Jr. was born on 3 September 1864 on the Prairie.

Scrip claims:

Bonneau, Pierre - Concerning his claim as a head of family - Address, Fort Qu'Appelle - Born, March 22, 1803 near Oak Lake - Father, Jean Baptiste Bonneau, (French Canadian) - Mother, Lizette, (Indian) - Married, 1828 at St. François Xavier to Lalouise Gariepy - Children living, six (names on declaration) - Children deceased, five - Scrip for \$160 - Claim 141.

¹⁰ Daughter of a Miami Chief Pacanne and his Mahican wife. Born 1760 in Michigan, died before 1820 at St. François Xavier. Her brother was the famous Indian Chief "Little Turtle" of the Miami Tribe.

Bonneau, Elmire (b. 1850) - Concerning her claim as a child - Address, Fort Qu'Appelle - Born, St. François Xavier, 1850 - Father, Pierre Bonneau, (Métis) - Mother, Louise Gariepy, (Métis) - Married, February, 1872 at Wood Mountain to Modeste Poitras - Children living, four, Marie Justine born 1873, Zacharie born 1875, Jean Bapiste born 1877, Gregoire born 1880 - Scrip for \$240 - Claim 56

Manitoba Scrip Application: (son) Bonneau, Basile; HB Child; Filed: Pierre Bonneau, Sr.; Baie St. Paul; Marquette; b. 20 Feb 1851, St. François Xavier; d. 6 Nov 1878, NWT; bu. Lake Qu'Appelle; Pierre Bonneau, heir and father; Pierre Bonneau (x); 16 June 1875. C-14925

Manitoba Scrip Application: (daughter) Bonneau, Genevieve; HB Child; Baie St. Paul; Marquette; spinster; b. Aug 1855, St. François Xavier; age 24; Pierre Bonneau (HB) is father; Louise Gariepy (HB) is mother.

Manitoba Scrip Application: (daughter) Bonneau, Elizabeth; HB Head; myself, husband and children; Baie St. Paul; Marquette East; wife of Xavier Perreault; farmer; b. 6 Sept 1832, Baie St. Paul; Pierre Bonneau (x) is father; his wife, Louise Gariepy (HB) is mother; French: Elizabeth Perreault (x); 29 Sept 1875; François Perreault (x) farmer; Felix Chenier, M.P.P.. C-14932.

Boosah (Boucher), Abraham. (b. 1862)

Abraham was the son of Pierre Boucher (b. 1824 in St Albert) and Marie Amable Montagnais dit Bruneau (b. 1828).

Boosah (Boucher, Busha, Bouchie), Pierre (b. 1824)

Pierre Boucher was born in 1824 at St. Albert and died at St. Ignatius, Montana. Pierre was the son of Joseph Boucher Jr. (1795-1851) and Marguerite "Nostukew" Dupuis (1802-1859).¹¹ He married Marie Amable Bruneau (b. 1828 in Lac la Biche) on September 21, 1844 in Lac Ste

Anne. She was the daughter of Michel Joachim Paul Bruneau and Catherine Marie (Desjarlais) Ladouceur.

Children of Pierre Boucher and Amable Bruneau:

- Louis Boucher b: October 5, 1846. He married Isabelle Ward (b: 1848) in 1866 at Red River.
- Pierre Boucher b: March 1, 1849 in St Albert, married Isabelle Breland (b: 1845) in November 1866 in Lac Ste Anne, she was the daughter of Edouard Valade Breland and Genevieve Zan-yeo "Ma-toos-kees" Mondion. He then married Marie Todd (b: 1859 at Sturgeon Creek). She was an illegitimate daughter of John McCallum Todd and Marie Anne Allary. Marie was raised by her aunt and uncle, Marguerite [Allary] and Benjamin Vandal. They were married in 1872 in St. Albert.
- Marguerite Marie b: May 18, 1853 in St Albert district. She married William St. Denis (b: January 1, 1868 in Battleford) in 1888 at St Albert. He was the son of Michel St. Denis and Virginie Pelletier.
- Benjamin b: August 21, 1856.
- Maria b: 1859 in St Albert. She married Henri Paquette (b: August 1848 in Fort des Prairie) in 1876 at the Bow River Mission, near Fort Calgary. His parents were Henri Paquette Sr. and Cecile Durand.
- Eve Boucher b: November 16, 1859 in St Albert, married James Ward (b: 1851 in St Albert) in 1876 in High River, his parents were James Ward and Catherine Bruneau.
- Abraham b: 1862.
- Jean Baptiste b: October 1870 in St Albert, died October 1870 in St Albert.
- Laurent Boucher b: October 1871 in St Albert, died October 1871.
- Marie Ann Boucher b: 1873 in St Albert, died in 1873.

On September 19, 1877, Pierre Boucher, Louison Boucher, Jules Boucher and Edward Boucher signed a petition from John Munro and the other Métis at Blackfoot Crossing presented to Lieutenant Governor Laird concerning Métis land claims and other assistance that would be necessary when the buffalo hunt was no longer viable as a means of subsistence. Pierre Bou-

¹¹ Marguerite was born at Lac La Biche, the daughter of Jean Baptiste Dupuis and Marie his Nakota (Assiniboine) wife.

cher's son-in-law James Ward also signed this petition.

After leaving Batoche in 1885, Gabriel Dumont went to Spring Creek, Montana to stay with his brother-in-law David Wilkie. There he met with Pierre Boucher and asked him to approach the Flatheads and Blackfeet living on reserves for permission to stay with them. The local Indian Agent reported:

On August 3, 1887, Peter Ronan, U.S. Indian Agent for the Flathead Indians west of the Rockies was visited by Pierre Busha, a Cree Half-Breed, whom Ronan believed to have been Riel's third ranking officer in the Rebellion of 1885 on the Saskatchewan. Busha had come from the refugee camp of some 60 families and 200 persons then located on Dupuyer Creek south of the Blackfeet Reservation to find a place where his people could make a home and a living, and "if successful in negotiating with the Indians will appeal to the government to give them asylum." At a Council on October 16, 1887, the Flathead considered and refused Busha's request.¹²

Boosah (Boucher, Busha, Bouchie), Pierre Jr.
(b. 1849)

Pierre was born on March 1, 1849 at St. Albert, the son of Pierre Boucher (b. 1824) and Amable Bruneau (b. 1828). He married Isabelle Breland (b: 1845) in November 1866 in Lac Ste Anne, she was the daughter of Edouard Valade Breland and Genevieve Zan-yeo "Ma-toos-kees" Mondion. Isabelle died in September of 1870 on the plains. He then married Marie Todd (b: 1859 at Sturgeon Creek). She was an illegitimate daughter of John McCallum Todd and Marie Anne Allary. Marie was raised by her aunt and uncle, Marguerite [Allary] and Benjamin Vandal.¹³ They were married in 1872 in St. Albert.

¹² John C. Ewars, *Ethnological Report of the Chippewa/Cree of Rocky Bay and Little Shell*. New York: Garland Publishing, 1974: 97-98.

¹³ Marie Todd was another out of wedlock child of John McCallum Todd Sr., born 1859 at Sturgeon Creek, St. James. Her mother was Marie Allary (Azarie). Marie Allary, was living with Joseph Bremner at the time of her daughter's birth. Their son Joseph Bremner, born 1852 was a half brother to Marie Todd. Marie was baptized at St. Boniface Cathedral on 16 Jan. 1861. She was brought up by her aunt Marguerite Allary and uncle Benjamin Vandal. Marie married Pierre Boucher, in 1872. He was 10 years older, Marie was Pierre's second wife. His first wife was Isabelle Breland, who he married at Lac Ste. Anne, Alberta in Nov. 1866. Pierre was born at St. Albert, Alberta in January 1849 [sic]. He was the son of Pierre Boucher and Amable Bruneau.

Métis Scrip;

Boucher, Pierre - Concerning his claim as head of family - Address, St. Albert P.O. [Post Office] - Born, St. Albert, January, 1849 - Father, Pierre Boucher, (Métis) - Mother, Aimable Bruneau, (Métis) - Married, November, 1866 at Lac St. Anne to Isabelle Breland, 1871 on the Plains to Marie Todd - Children living, three (names on declaration) - Children deceased, two - Scrip for \$160

Boucher Marie - Concerning her claim as a child - Address, High River - Born, Sturgeon Creek, 1859 - Father, John Todd, (Métis) - Mother, Marie Allary, (Métis) - Married, 1872 at St. Albert near Edmonton to Pierre Boucher - Children living, three, John born 1874, Marie Louise born 1877, Virginie born 1879 - Scrip for \$240 - Claim 313

Boucher, Marie; for her deceased children: Jean Baptiste, born: Oct. 1870 at St. Albert, died: 2 or 3 days old; Laurent, born: Oct. 1871 at St. Albert, died: Day of his birth; Marie Anne, born: Apr. 1873 at St. Albert, died about 3 weeks old; claim no. 1724; address: St. Ignatius, Montana; father: Pierre Boucher (deceased Métis); mother: Marie Bruneau (Métis & Deponent); heirs: Pierre Boucher scrip cert.: form D, nos. 1690, 1676 & 1662 for \$ 34.28 each; Louis Boucher scrip cert.: form D, nos. 1688, 1674 & 1660 for \$ 34.28 each; Marguerite St. Denis (nee Boucher) scrip cert.: form D, no. 1684, 1670 & 1656 for \$ 34.29 each; Eve Malaterre (nee Boucher) scrip cert.: form D, nos. 1682, 1668 & 1654 for \$ 34.29 each; file ref. no. 810021

Bottineau, Angelique. (b. 1838)

Angelique was born on October 8, 1838, the daughter of Joseph Bottineau and Angelique Cardinal. She married Antoine Ratte Ouellette, the son of Joseph Ouellette and Therese Houle in 1851 at Pembina. Her sister Marie was married to Isidore Ouellette and sister Josphte was married to François Ouellette.

Bottineau, Elzéar. (b. 1842)

Elzéar was born on August 25, 1842 at St. François Xavier, the son of Joseph Bottineau and Angelique Cardinal. His grandparents were Charles Bottineau¹⁴ and Margaret Ah-dick-Songab a Chippewa. Elzéar married Isabella St. Pierre, the daughter of François St. Pierre and Marie Laverdure in 1861 at St. Joseph. A buffalo hunting family their 14 children were born across

¹⁴ Charles Bottineau appears on "List of Persons to Whom Scrip was Issued under Red Lake & Pembina Treaties...." Halfbreed Scrip No. 292 issued January 19, 1874.

the plains; at Cypress Hills, Wood Mountain, Old Wife's Creek, and Willow Bunch.

Elzear's sisters, Marie (b. 1834), Josephthe (b. 1836) and Angelique (b. 1838) were married to three Ouellette brothers, the sons of Joseph Ouellette and Therese Houle. Joseph Ouellette also signed this petition.

Bottineau, Elzear - Concerning his claim as head of family - Address, Willow Bunch - Born, St. François Xavier, 1848 - Father, Joseph Bottineau, (Métis) - Mother, Angelique Cardinal, (Métis) - Married, 1861 at St. Joe to Isabelle Pierre - Children living, two (names on declaration) - Children deceased, nine - Scrip for \$160 - Claim 1605. States that at the time of this claim he was 17 years a resident of Wood Mountain, i.e. from 1868

Bottineau, Isabelle - Concerning her claim as a head of family - Address, Willow Bunch - Born, Red River, 1837 - Father, St. Pierre, (Métis) - Mother, Marie Laverdure, (Métis) - Married, 1862 at St. Joe to Elzear Bottineau - Children, indicated on husband's declaration - Scrip for \$160 - Claim 1606

**Bourquin, Joseph (Jose)
(Bottineau, Jonas) (b. 1847)**

Jonas was the son of Joseph Bottineau and Angelique Cardinal. He married Suzanne Poitras (b. 1864) the daughter of Joseph Poitras and Susanne Laverdure. Her father and mother were part of this hunting brigade as well. The family lived in the vicinity of Wood Mountain and Willow Bunch. Jonas died on April 5, 1879 and was buried at Qu'Appelle.

Children of Jonas and Suzanne:

- Joseph, born circa 1864.
- Angelique, born circa 1870.
- Sarah, born 1872
- Elzear, born 1873.
- Marie Seraphine, born 1874.
- Marie Rose, born 1876.
- Israel Michel, born 1878.

Bellegarde, Marie Rose; address: Willow Bunch; claim no. 28; born: October, 1876 at Willow Bunch; father: Jonas Bottineau (Métis); mother: Susan Poitras (Métis); scrip cert.: form C, no. 10.

Bellegarde, Marie Seraphine; address: Turtle Mountain; claim no. 73; born: 1 January, 1874 at Wood Mountain; father: Jonas Bottineau (Métis, deceased); mother: Susan Poitras (Métis); scrip cert.: form C, no. 66.

Bourassa, Marie Anne. (b. 1831)

Marie Anne was the daughter of Jean Baptiste Bourassa. In 1851, Marie Anne married Antoine Gladu Sr. (b. 1808), the son of Charles Gladu and Marguerite Ross. He had first been married to Josephthe Desjarlais.

Bouvier, Casimir "Was-sarh-kaish". (b. 1848)

Casimir "Was-sarh-kaish" Bouvier was born at St. François Xavier on February 13, 1848, the son of Antoine Bouvier (b. 1824) and Genevieve Breland¹⁵. He married Adelaide "Deliah" Laplante, the daughter of Jean Baptiste Laplante and Madeleine Dufont or Desfonds on November 22, 1870 at St. François Xavier. Casimir, known in Chippewa as Was-sarh-kaish, his wife Deliah and their eight children appear on the Turtle Mountain Band census for 1889. He was struck from the Turtle Mountain roll during the 1892 membership controversy. Casimir and his brother Antoine eventually moved to San Clara, Manitoba.¹⁶

The couple's oldest children; Octavia, Marie Rose, Seraphine and Elise were born at St. François Xavier before 1878, thus would have been with them when this petition was signed.

Scrip affidavit for Bouvier, Adelaide; wife of Casimir Bouvier; born: July, 1855; father: Baptiste Laplante; mother: Madeleine Desfond.

Bouvier, Marie Rose; address: St. John, Dakota; claim no. 407; born: 9 Feb., 1873 at St. François Xavier; father: Casemin Bouvier (Métis); mother: Adelaide LaPlante (Métis); scrip cert.: form E, no. 292.

Bouvier, Jean Baptiste; address: Narbuck; claim no. 1692; born: 20 Jan., 1880 at Wood Mountain; father: Casmur Bouvier (Métis); mother: Adelaide LaPlante (Métis); scrip cert.: form E, no. 3507.

Boyer, Cecile, (b. 1846)

Cecile was the daughter of Louis Boyer (b. 1821) and Madeleine Trottier. She married

¹⁵ Genevieve was born in 1831, the daughter of Alexandre Breland and Emilie Wills.

¹⁶ Personal communication with Lionel Bouvier, September 11, 2010.

Norbert Welsh, the son of François Xavier Welsh and Charlotte Sauve in 1867 at St. François Xavier.

Boyer, Clemence. (b. 1851)

Clemence Boyer was born February 20, 1851 near Brandon, the daughter of Louis Boyer and Madeleine Trottier. She married Joseph Lemire in 1868 at St. François Xavier.

Joseph was born at St. François Xavier circa February 1833, the son of Joseph Lemire (b. 1811) and Julie Martin. His parents were members of Muscowequan Band before they left treaty. Joseph married Suzanne Lepine, the daughter of Jean Baptiste Lepine and Suzanne Gariepy in 1861 at St. François Xavier. He then married Clemence Boyer the daughter of Louis Boyer and Madeleine Trottier

Clemence and Joseph had four children born at Qu'Appelle, Moose Jaw and Cypress Hills. Norbert Welsh was his brother-in-law as they had married Boyer sisters. Their daughter Madeleine, born June 10, 1869 at Qu'Appelle married Joseph Le Rat in 1888.

Children of Joseph and Clemence:

- Magdeleine, born July 10, 1869 at Qu'Appelle.
- William, born July 1870 at Lebret.
- Victoire, born June 5, 1872 at Moose Jaw.
- Marie, born November 1883 at Cypress Hills.

Joseph was band member #48 of Little Child's Band. In 1886, Joseph, his wife, and three girls withdrew from Treaty.

Joseph was also one of the 30 Métis at Fort Walsh who submitted a petition, September 7, 1876, on behalf of the Métis of the four districts of Assiniboia to join Treaty 4.

Lemire, Joseph; address: Qu'Appelle; claim no. 1194; born: 1834 at St. François Xavier; father: Joseph Lemire (Métis); mother: Julie Martin (Métis); married: in 1868 at St. François Xavier to Clemence Boyer and in 1862 at St. François Xavier to Susanne Lepinee; children living: Madeleine, Victoire and Marie; children deceased: William, Adèle, unnamed, William, child by last wife; scrip for \$160.00.

Boyer, David (b. 1849)

David Boyer was born on May 8, 1849, at Oak Lake, the son of Louis Boyer and Madeleine Trottier (father Andre, listed later). He married La Louise Thomas dit Tomma, the daughter of

Joseph Thomas (listed later) and Marie Wakitipik in 1866 at St. François Xavier. La Louise was a member of Cowessess Band and later left Treaty. Her brothers Bernard Thomas (b. 1859) and Joseph Thomas (b. 1840) were also part of the Cypress hills hunting brigade.

A buffalo hunting family the Boyer's 11 children were born across the plains at Long Lake, Saskatoon, St. Laurent, Eagle Hills, Saskatchewan Crossing, Cypress Hills, Lebret and Indian Head.

Boyer, Eliza, (b. 1843)

Eliza was the daughter of Louis Boyer (b. 1821) and Madeleine Trottier. Eliza married Michel Paul dit Bonneau, the son of Paul Paul and Madeleine Vivier in 1862 at St. François Xavier.

Boyer, Victoire. (b. 1854)

Victoire was the daughter of Louis Boyer (b. 1821) and Madeleine Trottier. She married Jean Baptiste Tanner, in 1875.

Breland (Barland), Moïse. (b. 1832).

Moïse was born on March 19, 1832 the son of Alexandre Duboishue Breland and Amilie Wells. He married Sara Delorme, the daughter of Urbain Delorme and Madeleine Vivier. He then married Philomene Page the daughter of Henry Page and Eliza Grant. Their son is listed below.

Breland, Pascal. (1811-1896)

Pascal came to be known as "Le Roi de Traiteurs"-"King of the Traders." He was born in the Saskatchewan River Valley on June 15, 1811 to Pierre du Boishué dit Breland and Joseph (Louise) Belley a Half-Breed. The family farmed at Red River, then in 1832, Pascal and his mother and two younger sisters moved from Red River to Grantown (St. François Xavier) to farm. Four years later Pascal married fifteen-year old Maria Grant daughter of Cuthbert Grant and Marie Desmarais. Breland's sister Marie was the mother of another famous Métis entrepreneur, Johnny Grant. Maria and Pascal raised a large family of six boys and nine girls. By 1849 Pascal was a very prosperous trader with his 380 acres of land in and around St. François Xavier. At the time he owned 12 Red-River-carts and had 22 horses. Initially, Pascal did not have legal claim to his land but later he received an official land grant from the Crown in 1882.

Pascal and his family were part of the St. François Xavier hunting brigade that was attacked by the Yanktonai Sioux in the Battle of

the Grand Coteau in 1851. his teenage son, Patrice likely fought in this battle as well.

Breland spent a considerable amount of time on the Western Plains as a free trader in areas of Fort Pitt, Wood Mountain-Cypress Hills, Fort Qu'Appelle and Fort Ellice. As a result of Pascal's extensive involvement in the trade and his wealth, he gained a social prestige in the area and he was a member of "la bourgeoisie M tisse."

Pascal's political views became known when he supported Louis Riel Sr. at the trial of Guillaume Sayer in 1849, involving the M tis right for free trade of their goods. A prosperous farmer, and trader, he owned a considerable number of carts and was nicknamed "le Roi des traiteurs" (the king of traders).

Breland, Patrice (1837-1908)

Patrice was born on March 17, 1861 at St. Franois Xavier, the oldest son of Pascal Breland and Maria Grant. Patrice served as a Justice of the Peace in the North West Territories, as a member of the Manitoba Legislature from 1880 to 1882, and as Reeve of the R M of St. Franois Xavier from 1891 to 1892, and from 1895 to 1900.

He married Helene Dease the daughter of John Dease and Angelique "Nellie" McMillan. Their children were:

- Marie Rose, born July 11, 1863 at SFX, married Theodore Brien.
- Marguerite, born June 11, 1863 at SFX, married Elzear Tourond, then married Oliver Robidoux.
- Patrice Tobie, born March 5, 1866 at SFX.
- Lucie, born April 3, 1868 at SFX, died May 5, 1868.
- Emelie, born April 3, 1868 at SFX, died February 1882.
- Virginie, born July 23, 1870 at SFX, married Patrice Edouard Delorme.
- Marie Alexandre, born November 30, 1872 at SFX, married Marie Celestine Lesperance.
- Alfred, born February 7, 1875 near Moose Jaw, married Marie victoire Breland.
- Patrice, born November 2, 1877 at Cypress Hills.
- Josephine, born February 10, 1880 at SFX, died August 1880.
- Joseph Edmund, born October 21, 1883 at SFX, married Emma Deschambault.

James McKay (I) and Patrice Breland
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He was a fur trader, traveling between Manitoba and the Cypress Hills, as well as other points in the North West Territories In Henderson's Directory 1881-82, he is listed as a hibernant trader in the Cypress Hills region. He usually worked as a trader with his father and was a Riel supporter in 1869-70. Brelands were one of the M tis families arrested at Fort Belknap for hunting in Montana.

November 24, 1878: Cypress Mountains, Patrice Breland writes: The news here, although not very good, because the Buffalos (bison) are very scarce in the neighbourhood, they are plentiful on the other side of the line along the Milk River, but there is great inconvenience to go and hunt in that direction because the Americans defend it, they have made prisoners. Antoine Brillant the elder, Peter Lapierre, Alexander Brillant, Pierre Labruler, Ambroise Chartrant, Charles Demontigny and Joseph Azure, they have all been made prisoners with their families. They were arrested at Fort Belknap, they have been released after 7 or 8 days after, without being fined provided they don't return and tell folks that other prisoners will be put in gaol for two years and their horses and carts taken. I have learned that the Teton (Sioux) go hunting on the other side of the line numbering 300 men. The Teton are not numerous here. They are about 50 lodges and the Sante about 30 lodges, and the remainder of the Teton with Sitting Bull are at the Mud house on White River (Utah), I have learned that they are about 1,000 lodges. I think I will go very soon to trade with these people...

Breland, Thomas. (b. 1842)

Thomas Breland, a grandson of Cuthbert Grant, was one of the M tis who signed the Cypress Hills Petition. In 1878, the Half-Breeds living in the vicinity of Cypress Hills petitioned the government for their own reserve. This is a petition requested a re-opening of the buffalo hunt between November 14th and February 15th each year and the granting of M tis "reserve" land. The request was for a strip of land 150 miles long along the American border beginning where the Pembina River crosses the border, running west for 150 miles into Saskatchewan. A number of men of the Cypress Hills Hunting

Brigade were present at the Battle of the Grand Coteau in 1851.¹⁷ These men are:

- Pascal Breland (b. 1811)
- Patrice Breland (b. 1837)
- Thomas Breland (b. 1842)

Thomas was born on September 7, 1842, the son of Pascal Breland and Maria Grant. In 1864 he married Julie Trottier, the daughter of Basil Trottier and Madeleine Fagnant then married Philomene Page, in 1867. She died in 1876 and he married Marie Rivet; and then in 1879 he married Therese Tanner the daughter of Thomas John Tanner and Louise Saulteaux. He had three children with Julie, born at SFX; then had four children with Philomene, born at Moose Jaw and Lebret; then three children with Marie, born at Lebret and Cypress Hills; and four children with Therese born at SFX and Oak Lake.

Jean Léveillé and Thomas Breland initially had farms in the Oak Lake area but then moved to Lebret in the Qu'Appelle Valley.

Scrip affidavit for Breland, Thomas; born: Sept. 7, 1842; father: Pascal Breland (Métis); mother: Marie Grant (Métis); claim no: 2967; scrip no.: 12485; date of issue: Oct. 2, 1879; amount: \$160.

Tanner, Therese; address: Oak Lake; born: at Portage la Prairie; father: Antoine Tanner (Métis); mother: Kee-na-we-pinai-si (Indian); married: 1878 at Qu'Appelle to Thomas Breland; children living: Albert and Josephine; children deceased: Elionore, Catherine, and Lucil: scrip for \$190.00; claim no. 1694.

Breland, Thomas; for his daughter Placidie Sutherland; claim no. 451; address: Lake Dauphin; born: 15 January, 1871 at Moose-jaw; father: Thomas Breland (Métis and deponent); mother: Philomène Page (Métis); husband: Joseph Sutherland; scrip cert.: form E no. 2875.

Breland, Thomas; heir of his deceased daughter, Elenore; claim no. 446; address: St. Rose du lac; born: September, 1879 at St. François Xavier; father: Thomas Breland (Métis and deponent); mother:

Thérèse Turner (Métis); died: 1882 at Oak Lake; scrip cert.: form F, no. 30.

Scrip affidavit for Breland, Thomas; as heir of his deceased wife Philomene Pajet; died: Feb. 24, 1876; heirs: Thomas Breland (Husband) & Children: Olive, Placidie, John, Philomene; claim no: 2968; scrip No: 12486 to 12489, \$40 each; date of issue: Oct. 2, 1879.

Breland, Thomas; for his children: Joseph Albert, born: January, 1883, at Oak Lake and Marie Josephine, born: November, 1884 at Oak Lake; address: St. Rose du lac; father: Thomas Breland (Métis and deponent); mother: Thérèse Turner (Métis); scrip cert.: form C, no. 210, Marie Josephine; scrip cert.: form E, no. 346, Joseph Albert; claim no. 447.

Breland, Thomas; heir of his deceased children: John, born: 1873 at Cypress Hills; died: January, 1878; Clemence, born: 1878 near Cypress Hills, died: 8 April, 1879; Philomène, born: 1875 at Cypress Hills, died: 1878; address: St. Rose du Lac; claim no. 448; father: Thomas Breland (Métis and deponent); mother: Philomène Page (Métis); scrip cert.: form D, no. 68, John; scrip cert.: form D, no. 70, Philomène; scrip cert.: form D, no. 72, Clemence.

Breland, Thomas; for his deceased children: Unnamed twins (boys), born: Summer 1877, near Cypress Hills, died: 2 June, 1877; Marie Catherine, born: 1881 at Oak Lake, died: 1882; address: St. Rose du Lac; claim no. 452; father: Thomas Brelands (Métis and deponent); mother of Twins: Marie Rivet (Métis); mother of Marie Catherine: Thérèse Turner (Métis); scrip cert.: form F, no. 74, Unnamed boy no. 1; scrip cert.: form F, no. 76, Unnamed boy no. 2; scrip cert.: form F, no. 78, Marie Catherine.

Breland (Barland), Xavier. (b. 1868)

François Xavier Breland was born June 8, 1868, the son of Moise Breland and Philomene Page. He later married Rosine Caplette.

Breland (Barland), Zacharias. (b. 1847)

Zackarie Breland was born on February 22, 1847, the son of Alexandre Duboisshue Breland and Amilie Wells. He married Marie Fagnant the

¹⁷ This battle took place between a Métis buffalo hunting party from St. François Xavier, led by Jean Baptiste Falcon and the Cut Head (Pabaksa) Yanktonai (Ihanktonwanna), Dakota, led by Chief Medicine (Sacred) Bear, on July 15 to 16, 1851.

daughter of Madeleine Fagnant. In Henderson's Directory 1881-82, he is listed as a hivernant trader in the Cypress Hills region.

Bremner, Peter. (b. 1845)

Peter was born on December 14, 1845, at St. François Xavier, the son of William Bremner and Marie Garipey. He was a Turtle Mountain Band member married to Marguerite Turcotte, the daughter of Vital Turcotte and Madeleine Caplette. Peter and Marguerite had nine children, born at St. Charles, St. Boniface, SFX, Cypress Hills and Lebret.

Brière (Bruyere), Baptiste. (b. 1811)

Jean Baptiste was one of the Métis patri-archs who signed the Cypress Hills Petition. In 1878, the Half-Breeds living in the vicinity of Cypress Hills petitioned the government for their own reserve. His sons, Baptiste Jr., Cleophas, Jeremie and Louison as well as son-in-law Alexandre Pelletier (married to Caroline) also signed the Cypress Hills Petition.

Jean Baptiste Briere or Busebois or Bruyere was the son of Jean Baptiste Bruyere Sr. and Françoise (Serpente). He married Angelique Guilbault (b. 1820), the daughter of Joseph Guilbault and Mary Anne his Nakoda wife. The Bruyeres had 12 children born at St. François Xavier (SFX) and Turtle Mountain. He had land at Baie St. Paul and was living there when he applied for scrip.

Children:

- Angelique, born November 7, 1839, married William Swain. Scrip affidavit for Swain, Angélique; born: Winter 1831 [sic]; husband: Wm. Swain; father: Jean Baptiste Bruyère (Métis); mother: Angélique Guilbeau (Métis); claim no: 2956; scrip no: 12472; date of issue: Sept. 23, 1879; amount: \$160.
- Louis, born January 21, 1842 at SFX, married Joseph Berard.
- Jean Baptiste, born October 18, 1844, at SFX, married Marie Allary. As buffalo hunters this family travelled to Qu'Appelle, Lebret, Moose Jaw, Regina, Wood Mountain, St. Michel [N.D.], Montana and the Cypress Hills. They lived at SFX whenever they returned to Red River.
- Marie, born May 4, 1847 at SFX, died July 31, 1870 at age 23.
- Lucie Cecile Agathe, born January 1851 at SFX, married Michel Richard then

married Elzear Boyer. Scrip affidavit for Richard, Lucie; born: January 1851; father: Jean Baptiste Bruyère; mother: Angélique Guillebauch (Métis); claim no: 1436; scrip no: 10380; date of issue: August 21, 1876; amount: \$160; husband: Michel Richard.

- Jeremie, born January 29, 1854, married Marie Louise Allary.
- Cleophas (Tchee-gus-tosh), born December 22, 1856 at SFX. He was also known as Kitaface or Kiliface Tchee-gus-tosh Briere.
- Caroline, born April 9, 1859, married Alexandre Pelletier.
- Emerence, born May 1861, she married Ambroise Boyer.
- Two other children, Ambroise (b. 1868) and Rose (b. 1868) died as young children.

Scrip affidavit for Bruyere, Jean Baptiste; born: July 18, 1811; father: Baptiste Bruyere (French Canadian); mother: Françoise Serpent (Indian); claim no.: 2966; scrip no.: 12484; date of issue: September 29, 1879; amount: \$160.

Brière (Bruyere), Brisebois. (b. 1844)

Jean Baptiste Bruyere was born on October 18, 1844, the son of Jean Baptiste Bruyere and Angelique Guilbault. He married Marie Allery the daughter of Michel Allery and Marie Paquin in 1867 at St. François Xavier. Baptiste was a Turtle Mountain Band member

Bruyere, Caroline. (b. 1859)

Caroline was born on April 9, 1859, the daughter of Jean Baptiste Bruyere and Angelique Guilbault. She married Alexandre Pelletier, the son of Jean Baptiste Peletier and Madeleine Deschamps in 1875 at Cypress Hills.

Brière (Bruyere), Cléophas. (b. 1856)

Cléophas "Kitaface" or "Tchee-gus-tosh" Bruyere was born on December 22, 1856, the son of Jean Baptiste Bruyere and Angelique Guilbault.

Brière (Bruyere), Jérémie. (b. 1854)

Jérémie Bruyere was born on January 29, 1854, the son of Jean Baptiste Bruyere and Angelique Guilbault. He married Louise Allery, the daughter of François Allery and Charlotte Malatterre.

Scrip affidavit for Bruyere, Jérémie; born: January, 1853; father: Jean Baptiste Bruyere; mother: Angélique Guilbault.

Brière (Bruyere), Louison. (b. 1842)

Louis Bruyere was born on January 21, 1842 at St. François Xavier, the son of Jean Baptiste Bruyere and Angélique Guilbault. He married Josephite Berard, the daughter of Pierre Berard and Louise Moreau, in 1865 at White Horse Plains. In her scrip application Josephite says that after 1872 she travelled with her husband on the buffalo hunt, living on the plains, at Moose Jaw, Cypress Hills and Wood Mountain. In 1870 they were living at Willow Bunch. She says that since her husband owned no land when they lived in Manitoba they lived in a small log house built upon the land of her father-in-law Jean Baptiste Bruyere.

Bruyère, Josephite - Concerning her claim as a head of family - Address, Willow Bunch via Moose Jaw - Born, Manitoba, 1834 - Father, Pierre Berard, (Métis) - Mother, Louise Moreau, (Métis) - Married, 1865 at Whitehorse Plains to Louis Bruyère - Children living, nine (names on declaration) - Scrip for \$160 - Claim 1569

Bruneau dite Chatelain, Angélique (b. 1846)

Angélique married Alexandre Morin (b. 1847). Alexandre was the son of Antoine Morin (b. 1808) and Therese Larocque (b. 1813). He married Angélique Bruneau dit Chatelain in 1868. They had thirteen children born at Willow Bunch, Wood Mountain, Cypress Hills, St. John and Turtle Mountain. He died at Medicine Lake, Montana in 1908. In the 1881 Canada Census the family is recorded as Household # 60, with them are their children, J. Alexandre (10), Therese (9), Josette (7), and Marie (3). Alexandre is the youngest of three Morin brothers who signed this Cypress Hills petition.

Bruneau, Marie Amable. (b. 1828)

Marie was the daughter of Michel Joachim Bruneau (b. 1806) and Marie Ladouceur dite Desjarlais. She married Pierre Boucher, the son of Joseph Boucher Jr. (1795-1851) and Marguerite "Nostukew" Dupuis (1802-1859).¹⁸

Bruyere: See Brière

Caisse, Joseph. (b. 1860)

Joseph was the son of Charles Caisse and Marie Sinclair. He married Marie Philomene Malboeuf (b. 1867) the daughter of Pierre and Marguerite Malbouef, in Ile a la Crosse on Noember 6, 1882 in Ile a la Crosse. He died February 23, 1890 in Ile a la Crosse.

Canada dit Henault, Alexandre. (b. 1858)

Alexandre was the son of Antoine Canada dit Hennault Sr. and Catherine Davis. He married Marie Rose Poitras, the daughter of Gabriel Poitras Sr. and Isabelle Malaterre. Gabriel Poitras also signed this petition. Alexandre was variously known as Alexis Canada, Alexander Enno and Alexander Unean Jr.

Canada dit Enno, Antoine Jr. (b. 1855)

Antoine was the son of Antoine Canada dit Hennault Sr. and Catherine Davis. He married Margaret Dumais, the daughter of Charles Dumais and Marie St. Arnaud in 1880 on the Milk River and then married Marie Celina McKay, daughter of Leonard McKay and Sarah Lambert in 1884. Antoine, also known as Antoine Enno Jr. was a Turtle Mountain Band member. He and his wife Celina appear on the Turtle Mountain Band census for 1884.

Canada dit Henault, Antoine "Kar-nar-dah". (b. 1832)

Karn-nar-dah Antoine Heneault dit Enno dit Canada was born in 1832, the son of Charles Heneault (1783-1850) and Marie Gray (1800-1868) who were married in 1817 in St. Boniface. Marie was the daughter of Thomas Gray from St. Regis Reservation and Marie Nippising dit Sawan. Antoine married Olivine Catherine Davis (1832-1920) in 1851. Catherine was born in St. Boniface in 1832, the daughter of Jean Baptiste Davis and Josephite (Chippewa). Josephite was Josephite Mijakammikijikok (Mezhekamakuiok) who was first married to fur trader Alexandre Wilkie. Catherine was the sister of Métis leader William "Kug-kay-dway-wash-kung" Davis (b. 1823). Catherine's brother, William Davis was also a signatory to the Cypress Hills petition. Antoine Heneault was also a counselor for Chief Little Shell III. Antoine died on November 29, 1913.

Antoine served as a counselor to Chief Little Shell for ten years. Antoine died on November 7, 1917.

Children of Antoine and Catherine:

- Josephite, was born on December 2, 1852, she married Pierre Lavallee, the

¹⁸ Marguerite was born at Lac La Biche, the daughter of Jean Baptiste Dupuis and Marie his Nakota (Assiniboine) wife.

son of Pierre Lavallee and Marguerite Bercier in 1870 at Lebret.

- Marguerite, born circa 1854 at Red River, she married Pierre Morin, then Moise McLeod.
- Antoine, born circa 1855 at Red River, he married Margaret Dumais then married Celina McKay.
- Bruno, born January 29, 1856 at Pembina.
- Alexandre, born circa 1858 at Red River, he married Marie Rose Poitras, the daughter of Gabriel Poitras Sr. and Isabelle Malaterre. Gabriel Poitras also signed this petition. Alexandre was variously known as Alexis Canada, Alexander Enno and Alexander Unean Jr.
- Pierre, born December 30, 1860 at St. Boniface, died in 1861.
- Leandre, born July 17, 1862 at St. Vital, he died in 1877 at Qu'Appelle.
- Virginie, born July 16, 1864 at St. Boniface, she married Alexandre Azure.
- Jean Baptiste, born May 10, 1886, he married Marie Theotiste Azure.
- Louis, known as Ish-quork-kee-zons, born November 1870, he married Sarah Morin.
- Jerome Aynaud, born January 9, 1873 at Lebret.

Scrip affidavit for Henault, Catherine alias Canada; born: August 1832; wife of Antoine Henault alias Canada; father: Baptiste Davis (French Canadian); mother: Josephthe (Indian); claim no: 2925; date of issue: May 7, 1879

Canada dite Henault, Josephthe. (b. 1852)

Josephthe was born on December 2, 1852, the daughter of Antoine Canada dit Henault and Catherine Davis. She married Pierre Lavallee, the son of Pierre Lavallee and Marguerite Bercier in 1870 at Lebret.

Caplette, Paul. (b. 1851)

Paul Caplette was born in 1851, the son of Joseph Caplette and his second wife Marie Anne Ward. Paul married Christine Poitras, the daughter of Tobie Poitras and Madeleine Gesson dit St. Denis, in 1880 on the Milk River in Montana. They had seven children born at Red Deer River, Swift Current, and Willow Bunch.

Cardinal, Chs. Pierre. (b. 1831)

Charles Cardinal was born on January 1, 1831 at St. François Xavier, the son of Jacques Cardinal and Genevieve Pelletier. He married Josephthe Desmarais (b. 1845), the daughter of Michel Desmarais and Josephthe Rochon in 1860 at St. François Xavier. They lived at St. François Xavier, Qu'Appelle, File Hills, Wood Mountain and Lebret. The family is recorded in the 1881 Canada Census as Household # 67 at Wood Mountain. Charles lists his occupation as "hunter." With them are, William (22), François (8), Octavie (23), Marie (20), Emerise (12), Elise (5), Julie (3) and Joseph (1).

In his scrip application of 1885 he describes himself as a plains hunter, farmer and labourer. Indicates he resided on the plains and in the vicinity of Fort Qu'Appelle since the 1860s, but moved to Fort Qu'Appelle in 1885.

Scrip Claims:

Cardinal, Charles - Concerning his claim as a head of family - Address, Fort Qu'Appelle - Born, St. François Xavier, January 1, 1831 - Father, Jacques Cardinal dit Jaco, (Métis) - Mother, Geneviève Pelletier, (Métis) - Married, 1860 to Josephthe Desmarais - Children living, ten (names on declaration) - Children deceased, two - Claim 97

Desmarais, Josephthe - Concerning her claim as a head of family - Address, Fort Qu'Appelle - Born, May, 1845 at St. François Xavier - Father, Michel Desmarais, (Métis) - Mother, Josephthe Rochon, (Métis) - Married, June 1860 at St. François Xavier Charles Cardinal - Children living, ten (names on declaration) - Children deceased, two - Claim 75.

Cardinal, William - Concerning his claim as a child - Address, Fort Qu'Appelle - Born, March 15, 1863 at St. François Xavier - Father, Charles Cardinal, (Métis) - Mother, Josephthe Desmarais, (Métis) - Claim 106.

Cardinal, Octavie - Concerning her claim as a child - Address, Fort Qu'Appelle - Born, Qu'Appelle Settlement, January, 1867 - Father, Charles Cardinal, (Métis) - Mother, Josephthe Desmarais, (Métis) - Married, 1884, February at Wood Mountain to Isidore Amiotte - Children living, one, Veronique - Claim 24.

Cardinal, Virginie - Concerning her claim as a child - Address, Fort Qu'Appelle - Born, March, 1867 on the Plains - Father, Charles Cardinal, (Métis) - Mother, Josephite Desmarais, (Métis) - Claim 123. (Note Virginie and Octavie above give birthdates two months apart.)

Cardinal, Charles - Concerning the claim of his deceased daughter, Adele Cardinal, a Métis child - Address, Fort Qu'Appelle - Born, on the Plains in 1868 - Father, Charles Cardinal, deponent, (Métis) - Mother, Josephite Desmarais, (Métis) - Died, 27 March, 1881 - Heir, her father, Charles Cardinal - Claim 142.

Cardinal, Josephite; for her deceased child, Emerise; claim no. 553; address: File Hills, born: 1872 at File Hills; father: Charles Cardinal (deceased Métis); mother: Josephite Cardinal (Métis and deponent); died: 27 Mar. 1886; heirs: scrip cert.: form D, no. 236, Josephite Cardinal, for \$26.66; scrip cert.: form D, no. 238, William Cardinal, for \$26.66; scrip cert.: form D, no. 240, Octavie Amyotte, for \$26.66; scrip cert.: form D, no. 242, François Cardinal, for \$26.66; scrip cert.: form D, no. 244, Adelaide Cardinal, for \$26.66; scrip cert.: form D, no. 246, Marie Rose Desjarlais, for \$26.66; scrip cert.: form D, nos. 248, Joseph Cardinal, for \$26.66; scrip cert.: form D, no. 250, Vitaline Pelletier, for \$26.66; scrip cert.: form D no. 252, Marie Philomène Cardinal, for \$26.66.

Cardinal, Adelaide; address: File Hills; claim no. 565; born: 1876 at File Hills; father: Charles Cardinal (Métis); mother: Josephite Desmarais (Métis); scrip cert.: form C, no. 318.

Desjarlais, Marie Rose; address: File Hills; claim no. 559; born: 1879 at File Hills; father: Charles Cardinal (Métis); mother: Josephite Desmarais (Métis); scrip cert.: form C, no. 412.

Cardinal, Joseph; address: File Hills; claim no. 685; born: 1880 at Wood Mountains; father: Charles Cardinal (Métis); mother: Josette Desmarais (Métis); scrip cert.: form C, no. 390.

Cardinal, Marie Philomène; address: File Hills; claim no. 549; born: 1885 at File Hills; father: Charles Cardinal (Métis); mother: Josephite Desmarais (Métis); scrip cert.: form C, no. 314.

Pelletier, Marie Vitaline; address: Fort Qu'Appelle; born: 1883 at Wood Mountain; father: Charles Cardinal (Métis); mother: Josephite Desmarais (Métis); scrip cert.: form C, no. 320; claim no. 551.

Cardinal, Judith. (b. 1827)

Judith was born in either Jasper House or Montana, the daughter of Antoine Cardinal (b. 1793) and Marie DeMontigny Comtois (b. 1795). In 1855, at St. François Xavier, she married Jean Baptiste Gariepy, born in 1832, at St. François Xavier. He was the son of Louis Marie "Awistoyus" Gariepy (b. 1771) and: Josephite Suzette "Nahasthay" Ducharme (b. 1806, died 1871 on the Marias River). His father, Louis was a voyageur first with the NWC then after amalgamation with the HBC. He retired to St. François Xavier in 1824.

Cardinal, Marie. (b. 1832)

Judith was the daughter of Antoine Cardinal and Marie DeMontigny Comtois. She married Louis Gariepy (b. 1828), the son of Louis Gariepy and Josephite Ducharme. They had children born in Canada at St. François Xavier, Fort Ellice and Lebret as well as in the USA at Flat Willow Creek and Poplar River. Their sons, Leonide and Elie also signed the Cypress Hills as well as the petition for a Métis reserve in Montana, sent by Louis Riel to General Nelson A. Miles, August 6, 1880.

Caron, Angelique. (b. 1862)

Angelique was the daughter of Jean Caron and Marguerite Dumas. She married Ambroise Dubois (b. 1856), the son of François Dubois and Madeleine Laberge.

Champagne, Baptiste. (b. 1831)

Jean Baptiste was born at Pembina the son of Emmanuel Beaugrand de Champagne and Marguerite Larocque.

Jean Baptiste received Half Breed Scrip (#463) under the Red Lake and Pembina Band Treaty of 1863 Jean Baptiste was a counselor for Chiefs Little Shell II and III. He is listed in the record as Jean Batees Gorin (Gouin).

His older brother Emmanuel Jr. (b.1823) was a founder of the village of Batoche. Because

Emmanuel participated as a member of Riel's Council (Exovedate) at Batoche during the 1885 Resistance he was arrested on May 19, 1884 and on August 14, 1885 at Regina; he pled guilty and received conditional discharge for his part in the 1885 Resistance.

Baptiste first married Isabelle Parisien (b. 1836), in 1856. She was the daughter of Jean Baptiste Parisien and Charlotte Nolin on March 10, 1856. This was another Pembina family, part of the Little Shell group. Baptiste and Isabelle had five children, born at St. Joseph, Lebret and Devil's Lake.

He then married Elize Laverdure (b. 1849), the daughter of Joseph Laverdure and Therese Villebrun, of Turtle Mountain Band. Baptiste and Elize had nine children, born at SFX, Cypress Hills, Lebret and Wood Mountain. He then married Madeleine Vallee in 1884.

A Turtle Mountain Band member, Baptiste, his wife Madeleine Vallee and their five children¹⁹ (from his marriage to Elize Laverdure) appear on the Turtle Mountain Band census from 1884 to 1892.

The difficulties faced by the Métis hunters who lived on both sides of the border are evident in the correspondence regarding Jean Baptiste's claim for his son's land grant:

Department of the Interior
Ottawa, 21st November 1904

Memorandum:

Re: The claim of Jean Baptiste Champagne as the sole heir to his deceased son, Baptiste, reconsidered under the Order-in-Council of 13th August 1904.

Jean Baptiste Champagne, father of the deceased child above named, gave evidence at Winnipeg under the name Baptiste Champagne Jr. before Mr. Roger Goulet in 1885 in support of his own claim to share in the grant of scrip (File 474883) and his claim was disallowed on the ground that he was resident in the United States on the 15th July 1870. In his evidence he stated that he had been married to Adele Poitras at Cypress Hills in 1878, and that one of his children, not baptized, was born at Cypress Hills and had died there six years ago (1879) at the age of four months, being no doubt the same child that he called Baptiste in his evidence before Mr. McKenna in 1900, but in his later evidence he stated that such child had

been born at Cypress Hills on 8th February 20 years ago (1880), and had died on the 16th July of the same year, and that he had been buried at Batoche. In his evidence before Mr. Goulet in 1885 he stated that he had two living children (twins) Joseph Frederick and Joseph Charles, who were born at Turtle Mountain in 1883, and that he had been living at Turtle Mountain, Dakota Territory since the month of November 1884, having gone there from Cypress Hills where he had lived for four or five years.

This last statement, however, does not quite agree as to dates with his previous statement that his twin children had been born at Turtle in 1883. There is also on File 175554 a statement made by Adele Champagne, nee Poitras, his wife, dated the 27th February, 1889, in which she stated, among other things, that she had been married to Jean Baptiste Champagne by Father Decorby (Father Decorby was a Priest in the North-West Territories) in January 1876. This declaration was made by her in her application for patent for the land which had been allotted to her in satisfaction of her claim as a Half Breed child of the Province of Manitoba.

It appears from Mr. Goulet's report of the 26th February 1895 (File 367406) based on evidence obtained by him with regard to the question as to whether certain Half-Breed families including that of the present claimant's father, Baptiste Champagne alias Gouin, were residing at the transfer on British or American territory, that the latter's family with several others had gone from the United States, where they had been living from 1848 to 1850, to Wood Mountain in the autumn of 1870 and wintered there on British territory, and lived at that place and Cypress Hills until 1881 or 1883, when all these families returned to Turtle Mountain, United States. On the strength of the evidence above referred to, which I have examined, and in view of Mr. Goulet's report which was obtained by him after he had obtained exhaustive evidence as to the residence of these people, and also having regard to the fact that the mother, who had been married at Cypress Hills about 1876 or 1878, received an allotment of land as a Manitoba Half-Breed child, I am of the opinion that for the purposes of the grant of scrip to Half-Breed children born in the North-West Territories between the 15th of July, 1870, and the end of the year 1885, the residence of the parents of the deceased child at the time of its birth is sufficient to entitle the claimant to share in this grant as sole heir of such

¹⁹ Louis (b. 1871), Sarah (b. 1873), Jean (b. 1874), Elise (b. 1874) and Therese (b. 1880); all born at Cypress Hills.

deceased child. It is true that the claimant's evidence before Mr. McKenna was not corroborated, but as such evidence is borne out as to the birth and death of such child by the evidence submitted in 1885 in support of his own claim before Mr. Goulet, when it was not expected at that time that scrip would ever be issued to Half-Breed children born after 15th July, 1870, there could not have been, therefore, any object in stating anything other than the truth in this particular, I am satisfied that the claim has been proved.

N.O. Cote

Scrip applications:

Champagne, Jean Baptiste; for his deceased son, Baptiste; claim no. 988; address: Dunseith, North Dakota; born: February, 1880 at Cypress Hills; father: John Baptiste Champagne (Métis); mother: Adèle Poitras (Métis); died: July 1880 at Cypress Hills; file ref. 947537.

This boy was buried at Batoche. This claim was disallowed in 1900, then approved in 1904 by N. O. Cote Half-Breed Commissioner.

Champagne, Charles - Concerning his claim as a child - Address, Willow Bunch via Moose Jaw - Born, St. Joe, June 15, 1858 - Father, Baptiste Champagne, (Métis) - Mother, Isabelle Parisien, (Métis) - Married, 1882 at Willow Bunch to Marie Ouellette - Children living, two, Marie Isabelle born 1883 and Adalie Rose, born 1885 - Scrip for \$240 - Claim 1564.

Champagne, Jean Baptiste, on behalf of his children: Frederick, born: January, 1884 at Wood; Mountain; Charles, born: January, 1884 at Wood Mountain; Isabella, born: November, 1885 at Wood; Mountain; claim no. 967; address: Dunseith; father: Baptiste Champagne (Métis); mother: Adèle Poitras (Métis).

Charette, Joseph. (1850)

Joseph Charette, brother of Jean Baptiste (b. 1843), was the son of Jean Baptiste Charette (b. 1810) and Angelique Petit. He was born on December 14, 1850 at Pembina. He married Adelaide Gagnon, born on December 28, 1870 at Fort Benton but christened on January 21, 1871 at Lebret, the daughter of Joseph Gagnon and Marguerite Chartier. They were married on No-

vember 9, 1887 at Lewistown, Fergus County, Montana. Both Joseph and his brother Jean Baptiste Charette were signers of Louis Riel's August 20, 1880 petition to Major General N.A. Miles requesting support and a reserve for the Montana Half-Breeds.

Choquette (Charette), Jean. (b. 1843)

Jean was one of the Métis at Fort Walsh submitted a petition, on behalf of the Métis of the four districts of Assiniboia to join Treaty 4, on September 7, 1876. Jean Baptiste Charette was the son of Jean Baptiste Charette Sr. (b. 1810) and Angelique Petit.²⁰ He married Marie Anne Laverdure the daughter of Joseph Laverdure and Therese Villebrun before 1867. He then married Marie Beauchamp, the daughter of Jerome Beauchamp and Genevieve Parisien in 1877 at Lebret. Both Jean Baptiste and his brother Joseph Charette were signers of Louis Riel's August 20, 1880 petition to Major General N.A. Miles requesting support and a reserve for the Montana Half-Breeds.

Jean Baptiste and Marie Anne Laverdure had the following children:

- Joseph, born January 9, 1867 at St. Joseph's. He married first married Rose Donney on September 7, 1893, and then married Maggie Latreille (LaTray) on November 30, 1901.
- Marie, born 1869, she married Gabriel Wilkie.
- Clemence, born June 24, 1870, she married Andre Azure, and then married Joseph Ladouceur.

Jean Baptiste and Marie Beauchamp had the following children:

- François, born April 21, 1878, he married Marguerite Rosalie Bruneau.
- Jerome, born 1880.
- Jean Louis, born 1883, died June 21, 1848 at Lewistown.
- Thomas, born 1886, died December 8, 1934 at Lewistown.
- Damase, born 1886.
- Pauline, born 1887, married John Swan.
- John, born 1888.
- Mary, born 1891.

²⁰ Jean Baptiste and Angelique were enumerated in the 1850 census at Pembina. He received Scrip certificate # 185 under the Red Lake and Pembina Treaty of 1864.

Chercoté, Edouard²¹

Chercoté, Médard

Chercoté, Pascal

Chercoté, Vital

Clyne (Klyne), Duffle. (b. 1840)

Andrew Klyne was born on September 14, 1840 at Point Douglas, the son of Michael Klyne Sr. and Madeleine Millet dit Beauchemin. He married Elise Desjarlais, the daughter of Antoine Desjarlais and Louise Vallee in 1866 at St. Joseph, North Dakota. This buffalo hunting family had children born across the plains at Wood Mountain, Devil's Lake, and Lebret.

Clyne (Klyne), William. (b. 1843)

William Klyne was the son of Michael Klyne Sr. and Madeleine Millet dit Beauchemin. He married Marie Madeleine Poitras, the daughter of Joseph Poitras and Suzanne Laverdure in 1871 at St. Boniface. The family lived at Wood Mountain and Willow Bunch.

Collin, (Charette) Rosalie. (1842)

Rosalie was born in St. Boniface, the daughter of Jean Baptiste Collin and Elizabeth Henry. Elizabeth Henry was the daughter of Alexandre Henry the Younger and his Chippewa wife. Rosalie married Joseph Charette, the son of Joseph Charette and Marie Gosselin.

Collin, (Wills) Louise. (b. 1833)

Louise was born at Red River, the daughter of Jean Baptiste Collin and Elizabeth Henry. Elizabeth Henry was the daughter of Alexandre Henry the Younger and his Chippewa wife. Louise first married Antoine Langer then married to Daniel (Donald) Welsh or Wills (b. 1840), the son of Edouard Wills and Isabelle McGillis.

Jean Baptiste Langer Louise's son by her first marriage also signed this Cypress Hills petition. Jean Baptiste was married to Justine Malaterre (b. 1855), the daughter of Alexis Malaterre and Marguerite Ward at Lebret in 1876. He was a member of the Turtle Mountain Band. In the 1881 Canada Census Jean Baptiste and Justine are recorded as household #2 in Cypress Hills. Living with them are their two children Jean

²¹ The only Chercote we have identified in the area is a Caroline Chercote who married George Thomas Inkster (b. 1849). He died at Towner N.D.

Baptiste Jr. age 4, and Justine (one month) as well as Moise St. Denis (age 29) and Moise Dasi (age 19).

Courchene, Cecile. (b. 1837)

Cecile was born in St. Boniface, the daughter of François Courchene (b. 1796) and his second wife, Françoise Beauchamp. Cecile married Jean Baptiste Ouellette, the son of Joseph Ouellette and Therese Houle in 1858 at Pembina.

Davis, Alexandre "Pug-un-auck". (b. 1852)

Alexandre "Pug un auck" Davis was born at Pembina in 1852, he was the son of Jean Baptiste Davis and Julianne Desnommé. His parents were both members of the Turtle Mountain Band.²² Alexander was married to Eulalie Gladue, the daughter of Antoine Gladue and Catherine Fagnant... He signed the 1878 Cypress Hills petition for a Métis Reserve along with his brothers, William, Louis, Alexandre and Jean Baptiste Jr.

Davis, Baptiste Jr. "Boinence". (b. 1822)

Jean Baptiste "Boin-ence" Davis was born in 1822 at St. Boniface, the son of Jean Baptiste Davis (b. 1777) and Joseph (Saulteaux/ Chippewa). Joseph was Joseph Mijakammikijikok (Mezhekamakuikok) who was first married to fur trader Alexandre Wilkie. Thus Jean Baptiste Davis and Jean Baptiste Wilkie were half-brothers. His parents were both members of the Turtle Mountain Band.

Jean Baptiste Davis married Julie Desnommé, the daughter of Pierre Desnommé sometime before 1838. This family appears in the 1850 Pembina census as family # 115.²³ He was a counselor and Headman to Chief Little Shell.²⁴ He signed the Augustin Brabant Métis petition from Lake Qu'Appelle, on 11th September 1874. Baptiste Davis signed as a witness to Treaty Four

²² Gail Morin. *Turtle Mountain Chippewa, Pembina Band : Annuity Payments and Census*. Quinton Publications, n.d. p. 24.

²³ Lists Baptiste Davis, hunter, age 28, Julie age 25, Helen age 12, Julie age 10, Catherine age 8, Josette age 6, and Baptiste age 4.

²⁴ Counselors for Little Shell III in the 1890s [These men also served as counselors for Little Shell II: Ayse-sense]. Sas Swaine Poitras (67); Kug-kay-dway-wash-kung, William Davis (70), Paydway-walsh-kum, Louis Lenoir; Boin-ence Davis (73); Kar-yence Delorme (50), a son of Auguhk-quay; Sharlo Bottineau (68); Ossaotit, François Desmarais (55); Tchee-kee-tarn Parisien (68); Batees-shish Valley (58), son of Norbace Valley; Ahkee-win-nini, Alex Jannott (58); Tcheer-kuhk, Joseph Desmarais (56); Bayriss, Corbet Grant (55); Karn-nar-dah, Antoine Heneult (59); and Jean Batees Gorin (Champagne, 57).

at Qu'Appelle in 1876. In Henderson's Directory 1881-82 he is listed as a hivernant trader in the Cypress Hills region.

Their daughter, Helene Davis, was born in 1838 at Red River and married Michael Klyne, the son of Michael Klyne Sr. and Madeleine Millet dit Beauchemin.

Their son, Jean Baptiste Davis III, was born at Red River in 1847. He married Louise Lafontaine, the daughter of Jean Baptiste Lafontaine and Françoise Martin in 1870 at Lebret. He later married Emerise Lavallee, the daughter of François Xavier Lavallee and Genevieve Morand. He signed the 1878 Cypress Hills petition for a Métis Reserve. He died before 1938.

Their daughter, Maguerite Davis, was born in 1846 at St. Boniface. She married Alexandre Houle, the son of Charles Houle and Catherine Farlardeau.

Daughter, Lareine Elise Davis, was born in 1847 at St. Boniface. She married Moise Vallee, the son of Louis Vallee and Louise Martel.

Davis, Catherine. (b. 1832)

Catherine was born at St. Boniface, the daughter of Jean Baptiste Davis (b. 1777) and Josephine (Saulteaux). She married Antoine Canada dit Henault Jr., the son of Charles Henault and Marie Gray.

Davis, Helene. (b. 1838)

Helene was born at Red River, the daughter of Jean Baptiste Davis and Julie Desnoyé. She married Michel Klyne, the son of Michel Klyne and Madeleine Beauchemin, in 1864.

Davis, Lareine Elise. (b. 1847)

Lareine was the daughter of Jean Baptiste Davis and Julie Desnoyé. She married Moise Lavallee, the son of Louis Vallee and Louise Martel.

Davis, Marguerite. (b. 1847)

Marguerite was the daughter of Jean Baptiste Davis and Julie Desnoyé. She married Alexandre Houle, the son of Charles Houle and Catherine Falardeau in 1871 at Lebret.

Davis, Louis "Kay payshk". (b. 1856)

Louis "Kay payshk" Davis was born on May 28, 1856, he was also a son of Jean Baptiste Davis and Julianne Desnoyé. He married Theresa Desjarlais at St. François Xavier.

Their children were:

- Pierre L. Davis, born March 4, 1877 at Moose Mountain. He married Sarah St. Germain.
- Avelin Davis; born: September, 1878 near the present Killarney, died: 1890 at St. Antoine, North Dakota.
- Andre Davis, born February 8, 1879 at St. François Xavier.
- Elzear Davis, born 1881 at Fort Ellice.
- Mary Rose Davis; born 1883 at Oak Lake.
- Josephine Davis, born October 1885 at St. Michel, North Dakota.
- Rosalie Davis, born circa 1887.

His father was one of the Métis hunters who had signed the Half-Breed petition from Lake Qu'Appelle in 1874. Louis signed the 1878 Cypress Hills petition for a Métis Reserve. Louis was a member of Captain Edouard Dumont's company, one of the 19 *dizaines* led by Gabriel Dumont during the 1885 Métis Resistance.

Davis, Michel (b. 1853)

Michel was born in 1852, the son of William Davis and Marie Enno. He married Flavie Henry. Although the Davis family did not live permanently at Turtle Mountain after 1863, they always returned when not out hunting on the prairie. In 1877, the family and ten others travelled from Milk River, Bear Paw, the Judith Basin, the Little Missouri and Cypress Hills before returning to Turtle Mountain.²⁵ The family moved to the Judith Basin of Montana in 1879. Michel and his father, William Sr. were signatories to Riel's August 20, 1880 petition to Major General N.A. Miles requesting support for the Montana Half-Breeds.

Davis, William "Kug-kay-dway-wash-kung". (b. 1823)

William was the son of Jean Baptiste Davis and Julianne Desnoyé. His parents were both members of the Turtle Mountain Band. His brother Jean Baptiste Davis (listed above) also signed this petition.

William "Kug-kay-dway-wash-kung" Davis (b. 1823) is listed on the 1850 Pembina census as a hunter as family #116. William is shown as age 26, his wife Marie Vallee as age 20 and their son William as age six. William was born at Red River, the son of Jean Baptiste Davis and

²⁵ Katie Pollock, "From Borderlands to Bordered Lands: The Plains Métis and the 49th Parallel, 1869-1885." Edmonton: University of Alberta, M.A. dissertation, 2009: 98.

Betsy Josette, La Saulteuse. They moved to Pembina in the late 1840s. He married Marie Enno Heneault, then Marie Vallée at Pembina in 1862. William was also a counsellor for chiefs Little Shell II and III. William was a signatory to Riel's August 20, 1880 petition to Major General N.A. Miles requesting support for the Montana Half-Breeds. He and his brother Jean Baptiste Jr. were both members of the Turtle Mountain Band. Their son Louis Davis (b. 1869) became one of the members of the Turtle Mountain Police in the early 1900s.

Dease, Helene. (b. 1841)

Helene, known as Ellen, was born on November 24, 1841 at St. Boniface, the daughter of John Warren Dease and Angelique McMillan. Helene married Patrice Breland the son of Pascal Breland and Maria Grant (Cuthbert's daughter).

Delorme, Bernard. (b. 1855)

Bernard Delorme, a member of Turtle Mountain Band was born on Dec. 20, 1855, the son of Joseph "Akkway" Delorme and Isabelle Gourneau. Bernard was married to Sophia LeRat and they were part of the Cowessess Band. She took discharge from treaty on September 5, 1890. His brother is Joseph Kar-yence Delorme shown below and his sister Isabelle was married to Jean Baptiste Trottier also listed below. Bernard and his family received Turtle Mountain Band annuity payments in 1873 and appear on subsequent census counts. Bernard was married to Sophia LeRat. She took discharge from treaty with Cowessess Band on September 5, 1890.

Delorme, François. (1805-1882)

François was born at St. François Xavier, the son of François Henault dit Delorme and Charlotte (Saulteaux). He first married Marguerite Desmarais, before 1827. They had one child. He then married Angelique Malaterre, the daughter of Jean Baptiste Malaterre and Angelique Adam in 1832 at St. Boniface. They had twelve children.

Delorme, "Kar-yence" Joseph. (b. 1838)

Joseph "Kar-yence" Delorme was born in March 1838, the son of Joseph Aughuhk-quay" Delorme and Isabelle Gourneau. Isabelle was the daughter of Joseph Grenon and Angelique Folle-Avoine (Wild-Rice). Joseph Jr. married Angelique Gingras, the daughter of Métis Trader Antoine Gingras and Scholastique Trottier on May 20, 1864. The couple had twelve children. Joseph Sr. had been a counselor to Chiefs Little

Shell II and III and Kar-yence in turn was a counselor to Chief Little Shell III.

Joseph Aughuhk-quay Delorme Sr. received annuities and scrip (Half Breed Scrip # 218) under the 1863 Red Lake and Pembina Treaties of 1863. In 1868 he took annuities for himself, two women and six children under Little Shell's Band and in 1867 took annuities for himself, one woman and six children under Way-ke-ge-ke-zhick's Band. Joseph Jr. received annuities and scrip (Half Breed Scrip # 239) under the 1863 Red Lake and Pembina Treaties of 1863. In 1868 he took annuities for himself, one woman and two children under Way-ke-ge-ke-zhick's Band. His wife is listed as Angeline Courchene aka Gingras.

Delorme, Joseph. (b. 1849)

Joseph Delorme dit Com Capetaïn Delorme was born on February 1, 1849, the son of Urbaine Delorme Sr. and Madeleine Vivier; and was the younger brother of Norbert Delorme. Joseph married Lizette McLeod (b. 1854) on February 9, 1875 at St. François-Xavier. They had five children born at Fort Walsh, Cypress Hills and Calgary.

- Elenore Anne, born January 14, 1876 at Fort Walsh, married William Henry Burton in 1900.
- Mary Jane, born May 2, 1878, died in 1881.
- Joseph Jr., born April 30, 1882 at Cypress Hills.
- William, born 1885 at Calgary.
- Corbett, born August 1, 1885 at Calgary, died in 1886.

He served on the court Martial that condemned Thomas Scott to death. He moved to the Fish Creek area on the South Saskatchewan in 1882.

Joseph was also a member of the Cypress Hills Métis hunting brigade who signed a petition for a Métis reserve in 1878.

Delorme was involved in the 1885 Resistance at Duck Lake with Gabriel Dumont. Joseph fought as a member of Captain Daniel Gariépy's company, one of the 19 *dizaines* led by Gabriel Dumont during the 1885 Métis Resistance. He was wounded and captured at Batoche. In his memoir, Dumont recalls: "Joseph Delorme, now at Dauphin, lost both testicles at the battle of Batoche. The bullet also went through his thigh. He was found and looked after

by the English. There were huge flaps of skin on both sides of the wound. To close it, the women put him on a table and wanted to put him to sleep. He refused, and laughed while they operated to show he had no fear.”²⁶ Delorme was tried at Regina in 1885 on the charge of treason-felony, convicted and then released on his own recognizance. The family later moved to Calgary.

In his testimony of August 13, 1885 at the Regina trial Father Alexis Andre says: “Joseph Delorme I knew in Manitoba and during the three years that he has been in the Saskatchewan. He was always a very respectable, hardworking man, honest and well thought of. He, for a long time, refused to have anything to do with Riel, and induced his neighbors to refuse to do the same. It was only by force and threats that he was compelled to take part in the rebel party. He has been severely wounded, is a cripple for life, and his home and family utterly ruined. If he has offended he has been very heavily punished, and the hand of justice might with mercy, deal lightly with him. He has a wife and four children and has lost everything. (CSP, 1886, Vol. 13, pp. 385- 386)

Delorme, Marie. (b. 1833)

Marie was the daughter of Urbain Delorme (b. 1798) and Madeleine Vivier.²⁷ Marie married Roderick Ross, the son of Hugh Ross and Sarah Short in 1849 at St. François Xavier.

Delorme, Norbert “Mankachee” (Frog). (1837-1898)

Norbert was the son of Urbaine Delorme and Madeleine Vivier. He was born on May 8, 1837 at St. François Xavier. He married Charlotte Gervais, the daughter of Alexis Gervais and Madeleine Gervais on June 7, 1858 at St. François Xavier. The couple hunted buffalo on the plains for many years. He was then involved in freighting and other work with the HBC. He was the older brother to Joseph Delorme. He moved to the North West Territory in 1874. In 1874 Norbert was one of the Métis hunters who had signed the Half-Breed petition from Lake Qu’Appelle. In 1878, Norbert and other Métis buffalo hunters at Cypress Hills wrote a petition

²⁶ Michael Barnholden (Translator), *Gabriel Dumont Speaks*, Vancouver: Talon Books, 1993: 25.

²⁷ Madeleine was the daughter of Alexis Vivier and Marie Anne his Assiniboine wife.

asking for a special Métis reserve of land. Norbert settled at St. Laurent on the South Saskatchewan in 1880 and worked as a freighter for the HBC. He was a member of Riel’s Council (Ex-ovedate) at Batoche during the 1885 Resistance. Delorme’s St. Laurent home served as military headquarters for the Métis campaign. Riel sent him to the Battleford area to enlist the support of the Indians in that area. On April 16, 1885, Norbert and Fine Day took some prisoners at the Bresaylor Settlement.

The Indian and Métis camps were separate. The Métis leaders were Norbert Delorme and André Nault however the leaders of the combined group were Delorme and Rattler (Fine Day). Norbert led the Métis fighters during the battle of Cut Knife Hill. Norbert fled to Montana then moved to Alberta after 1885. He set up a ranching operation at Pincher Creek. (With contributions by Larry Haag, Métis Resource Centre.)

Delorme, Sarah. (b. 1842)

Sarah was born on January 22, 1842, the daughter of Urbain Delorme and Madeleine Vivier. She married Moise Breland, the son of Alexandre Breland and Emelie Wills, in 1860 at St. François Xavier.

DeMntigny (Montigny), Charles. (b. 1845)

Charles Demontigny although born at St. François Xavier was a Turtle Mountain Band member, the son of Charles Demontigny Sr. (b. 1819) and Marie Desjarlais. He first was married to Nancy Thorne in 1867, then to Maria Brannonier in 1905. His father, Charles Sr. had worked for Antoine Desjarlais at Fort Desjarlais in the Souris River Valley in the 1840-50s.

DeMontigny, Marie. (b. 1841)

Marie was born on June 22, 1841, the daughter of Charles DeMontigney (b. 1819) and Marie Desjarlais. Marie married Edward Wills, the son of Edouard Wills and Isabelle McGillis, in 1863 at St. François Xavier.

Desjardins, Elise. (b. 1852)

Elise was born on September 16, 1852 at St. Vital, the daughter of Jean Baptiste Desjardins and Marguerite Hamelin. She married François Dubois, the son of François Dubois and Madeleine Laberg in 1870 at St. Boniface.

Desjarlais, Elise. (b. 1850)

Elise was born at St. Joseph’s, N.D., the daughter of Antoine Desjarlais and LaLouise

Vallee (b. 1829). Elise married Andre Klyne (b.1840), the son of Michel Klyne and Madeleine Millet dite Beauchemin.

Desjarlais, Deume (b. 1853)

Jean Baptiste Desjarlais born August 26, 1853, was the son of Antoine Desjarlais (b. 1818) and Louise Richard. He married Marie Whitford, the daughter of James Whitford and Marguerite Fagnant on June 29, 1876. Marie's parents and four of her brothers signed the Cypress Hills petition.

Desjarlais, Marguerite. (b. 1833)

Marguerite was born at St. François Xavier, the daughter of Jean Baptiste Desjarlais²⁸ (b. 1790) and Charlotte Cardinal. She married Joseph Tait Sr., the son of James Tait and Sarah (Saulteaux) in 1853 at St. François Xavier.

Desjarlais, Marie Angelique. (b. c. 1839)

Marie was the daughter of Jean Baptiste Desjarlais and Marie Martin. She married Michel Trottier the son of Andre Trottier and Marguerite Paquette dite St. Denis in 1857 at St. François Xavier.

Desjarlais, Theresa. (b. 1851)

Theresa was born on November 1, 1851, the daughter of Andre Desjarlais and Josephite Fagnant. She married Louis Davis, the son of Jean Baptiste Davis and Julie Desnommé in 1876 at Lebret.

Desmarais, John. (b. 1841)

John Desmarais was born in July 1841, at St. François Xavier, the son of Joseph Desmarais and Adelaide Clermont. He was first married to Rose Gervais, the daughter of François Gervais and Angelique Kekekons in 1864. He then married Helene Gosselin, the daughter of François Gosselin and Suzanne Lafournaise in 1869 at St. Norbert. John and Helene had children born at Battleford, Batoche, Fort Walsh and Wood Mountain. He then married Marie Frederick (b. 1843) the widow of Joseph Dussaume Sr. before 1887.

Desmarais, Josephite. (b. 1845)

Josephite was the daughter of Michel Desmarais (b. 1810) and Josephite Rochon (b. 1819). She married Charles Cardinal. Charles Cardinal was born on January 5, 1838 at St.

²⁸ Baptiste was employed at Fort Ellice during the 1850s.

François Xavier, the son of Jacques Cardinal and Genevieve Pelletier. He married Josephite Desmarais in 1861. They lived at St. François Xavier, Qu'Appelle, File Hills, Wood Mountain and Lebret. The family is recorded in the 1881 Canada Census as Household # 67 at Wood Mountain. Charles lists his occupation as "hunter." With them are, William (22), François (8), Octavie (23), Marie (20), Emerise (12), Elise (5), Julie (3) and Joseph (1).

Desnommé, Julie.

Julie was the daughter of Pierre Desnommé (b. 1815) and Madeleine Descamps dite Ayotte. Jean Baptiste Davis married Julie Desnommé, the daughter of Pierre Desnommé sometime before 1838. This family appears in the 1850 Pembina census as family # 115.²⁹ He was a counselor and Headman to Chief Little Shell.³⁰ He signed the Augustin Brabant Métis petition from Lake Qu'Appelle, on 11th September 1874. Baptiste Davis signed as a witness to Treaty Four at Qu'Appelle in 1876.

Their daughter, Helene Davis, was born in 1838 at Red River and married Michael Klyne, the son of Michael Klyne Sr. and Madeleine Millet dit Beauchemin.

Dubois (Bois), Ambroise. (b. 1856)

Ambroise Dubois was born on August 18, 1856, the son of François Dubois (b. 1822) and Madeleine Laberge. He married Angelique Caron, the daughter of Jean Caron and Marguerite Dumas; they lived at St. Laurent and Batoche.

He was a member of Captain Isidore Dumont's company, one of the 19 *dizaines* led by Gabriel Dumont during the 1885 Métis Resistance. His father-in-law and brother Maxime were also active in the Resistance.

Dubois (Bois), François. (b. 1850)

François Dubois was born on August 15, 1850, the son of François Dubois and Madeleine

²⁹ Lists Baptiste Davis, hunter, age 28, Julie age 25, Helen age 12, Julie age 10, Catherine age 8, Josette age 6, and Baptiste age 4.

³⁰ Counselors for Little Shell III in the 1890s [These men also served as counselors for Little Shell II: Ayse-sense]. Sas Swaine Poitras (67); Kug-kay-dway-wash-kung, William Davis (70), Paydway-walsh-kum, Louis Lenoir; Boin-ence Davis (73); Kar-yence Delorme (50), a son of Auguhk-quay; Sharlo Bottineau (68); Ossaotit, François Desmarais (55); Tehee-kee-tarn Parisien (68); Batees-shish Valley (58), son of Norbace Valley; Ahkee-win-nini, Alex Jannott (58); Teheer-kuhk, Joseph Desmarais (56); Bayriss, Corbet Grant (55); Karn-nar-dah, Antoine Heneult (59); and Jean Batees Gorin (Champagne, 57).

Laberge.³¹ He married Elise Desjardins, the daughter of Jean Baptiste Desjardins and Marguerite Hamelin in 1870 at St. Boniface. They lived at Wood Mountain and St. François Xavier.

Dubois (Bois), Joseph (Jean Baptiste) Jr. (b. 1849)

Jean Baptiste Dubois Jr. was born 1849 at Ste. Agathe, the son of Jean Baptiste Dubois and Marie Anne Laberge. Jean Jr. married Josephthe Larence the daughter of Basil Larence (b. 1776 at St. Boniface) and Agathe Callihoo dit Karakonti, born circa 1811 in Slave Lake (They married August 21, 1838 in Fort Carleton). They had seventeen children born at Wood Mountain and St. Joseph, North Dakota.

Dubois (Bois) Joseph (Jean Baptiste) Sr. (b. 1826)

Jean Baptiste Dubois was born 1826 in Red River Settlement, the son of François Dubois Sr. (b. 1775) and Angelique Lariviere (b. 1775). He married Marie Anne Laberge. She was born 1834 in Red River Settlement. He subsequently married Marguerite Caron in 1876. Joseph and Marie Anne had ten children. Their son Alexandre (b. 1855) married Marguerite Dease (b. 1853), the daughter of Métis leader William Dease and Marguerite Genthon.

Dubois (Bois), Norbert. (b. 1852)

Norbert Dubois was born at Fort Alexander on April 27, 1852, the son of Jean Baptiste Dubois (b. 1826) and Marie Anne Laberge. He married Elise Larocque, the daughter of Louis Larocque and Marie Savoyard dit Berthelet, at St Agathe in 1872. They had ten children and born at Wood Mountain, St. Joseph and Leroy, North Dakota.

Dosa (Ducharme), Baptiste. (b. 1826)

Jean Baptiste Ducharme was born on July 15, 1826 at St. Clements, the son of Nicholas Ducharme dit Charon and his second wife Charlotte (Saulteaux) Abinoche. He married Magdeleine Houle, the daughter of Antoine Houle and Marguerite (Saulteaux) before 1842. Her sister Theresa was married to Antoine Ouellette who also signed this petition. They had five children who also signed this petition: Jean Baptiste (b. 1848), Cleophas (b. 1850), Jean Chrysotome (b. 1852), Cuthbert (b. 1860) and Hyacinthe (b. 1862).

³¹ François Senior's brother Jean Baptiste Dubois married his sister-in-law Marie Anne Laberge.

Ducharme, Justine. (b. 1856)

Justine was the daughter of Jean Baptiste Ducharme (b. 1826)³² and Magdeleine Houle who was the daughter of Antoine Houle and Marguerite (Saulteaux). Justine married to Elzear Swain, the son of John Swain and Marie Marguerite Allary in 1874.

Ducharme, Madeleine. (b. 1830)

Madeleine was born at Red River, the daughter of Nicholas Ducharme dit Charon and Charlotte (Saulteaux). Madeleine married Antoine (Arsene) Malette. Arsene (Anselme) says on his scrip claim that he left Manitoba in 1860 and in 1870 was living at Ile a la Crosse. When he made application for his own scrip (1885) he was a freighter and had lived in Calgary for four years. He married Madeleine Ducharme, the daughter of Nicholas Ducharme dit Charon and his second wife Charlotte (Saulteaux) Abinoche in 1860.

Dumont, Isidore Jr. (1833-1885)

Isidore was Gabriel Dumont's older brother. He married Judith Parenteau in December 1847 at St. Boniface. She was the daughter of Joseph Parenteau and Angelique Godon. They had eighteen children. Isidore took part in the Battle of the Grand Coteau of the Missouri in 1851.

Isidore was a plains bison hunter who left Manitoba in 1870, lived as far west as Fort Edmonton and by 1872 had settled at St. Laurent on the South Saskatchewan. Isidore was involved in the 1885 Resistance at Duck Lake and was one of the Métis Captains. He was killed on March 26, 1885 along the Carlton Road by Thomas McKay, Superintendent Crozier's English Half-Breed interpreter. At the same time McKay shot and killed Asiyewin, these were the first shots fired in the 1885 Resistance. Isidore Jr. is buried at St. Antoine de Padoue Cemetery, Batoche.

Dumont, Isidore Jr. (b. 1859)

Isidore, his wife and three children appear on the Turtle Mountain Band census of 1886.

Dumont, Isidore Sr. dit Ecapow. (1810-1885)

³² Jean Baptiste Ducharme appears on "List of Persons to Whom Scrip was Issued under Red Lake & Pembina Treaties...." Halfbreed Scrip No. 261 issued December 20, 1873.

Isidore “Ecapow” Dumont was Gabriel Dumont’s father. He first married Louise Laframboise and they had seven children who lived past infancy: Isidore Jr., Pélégie, Gabriel, Joseph, Isabelle, Edouard, and Elie. In the 1830s Isidore and his family moved to Red River and were living with his wife’s parents until moving to the Saskatchewan River valley in 1840 near Fort Pitt. In 1848 he returned to White Horse Plain and for several years split his time between there and Saskatchewan. His second wife was Angie (Angele) Landry, the daughter of Joseph Landry and Genevieve Lalonde; they were married on June 10, 1867 at St. Norbert. They had three children who lived past infancy; Marguerite, Joseph and Marie. Isidore Sr. was part of the original 1871 St. Laurent on the South Saskatchewan governing committee and was elected as a St. Laurent Council member in 1873 and 1874. Isidore was a witness during the signing of Treaty Six at Fort Carlton on September 9, 1876. In 1878, Isidore and other Métis buffalo hunters at Cypress Hills wrote a petition asking for a special Métis reserve of land.

Although not active in the fighting at Batoche Isidore did supply provisions and sheltered his son and others after the final battle. He died just after the defeat at Batoche. He is mentioned in the documents of the 1850s as trading at Fort Ellice. His nickname was “Ecapow” and the Cree Indians called him “Ai caw paw” (The Immoveable or Unshakeable One).

Dusanne (Ducharme), Baptiste (b. 1848)

Five of the Ducharme brothers were part of the Cypress Hills Métis hunting band:

- Jean Baptiste
- Jean Chrysostome
- Cuthbert
- Hyacinthe, and
- Cleophas

Jean Baptiste Ducharme was born at Baie St. Paul on February 5, 1848, the son of Jean Baptiste Ducharme and Magdeleine Houle. He married Euphrosine Virginie Flamand, the daughter of Antoine Flamand and Marguerite Lafreniere in 1870 at St. Françoise Xavier. They had five children born at Lebret, Fort Ellice, and Saskatoon.

Scrip affidavit for Ducharme, Jean Baptiste Jr.; born: 5 February 1848; father: Baptiste Ducharme Sr. (Métis); mother: Madeleine Houle (Métis); claim no.: 1168; date of issue: Aug. 20, 1876.

Scrip affidavit for Ducharme, Virginie; wife of Jean Baptiste Ducharme Jr.; born: December 10, 1850; father: Antoine Flamand (Métis); mother: Marguerite Lafreniere (Métis); claim no.: 1169; date of issue: August 20, 1876.

Dusanne, Chrysostôme (b. 1852)

Jean Chrysostome Ducharme was born on August 26, 1852, the son of Jean Baptiste Ducharme and Magdeleine Houle. He married Marie Allary the daughter of François Allary and Charlotte Malaterre in 1875 at Lebret. He subsequently married Clemence Cardinal, the daughter of Andre Cardinal and Rosalie Berland in 1877 at St. Eustache.

Ducharme, Chrysostome; heir to his deceased son unnamed; claim no. 964; born: 4 November, 1879 at Moose Jaw; died: 5 November, 1879 at Moose Jaw; address: Newton Siding; father: Chrysostome Ducharme (Métis); mother: Clemence Cardinal (Métis); scrip cert.: form F, no. 1746

Ducharme, Chrysostome; for his son, William Ducharme; claim no. 583; address: Newton Siding; born: 16 April, 1884 at Maple Creek; father: Chrysostome Ducharme (Métis and deponent); mother: Clemence Cardinal (Métis); scrip cert.: form C, no. 2216

Dusanne, Cuthbert (b. 1860)

Cuthbert Ducharme was born on August 12, 1860, the son of Jean Baptiste Ducharme and Magdeleine Houle. He married Josephthe Belhumeur dit Monet, the daughter of Michel Monet dit Belhumeur and Louise Gonnevillie in 1882 at St. Eustache.

Scrip affidavit for Ducharme, Cuthbert; born: 16 August 1960; father: Baptiste Ducharme; Mother: Madeleine Ducharme.

Dusanne, Lyasant (b. 1862)

Hyacinthe Ducharme was born on April 19, 1862, the son of Jean Baptiste Ducharme and Magdeleine Houle. He married Marie Rose Larocque, the daughter of Louis Larocque and Suzanne Ledoux in 1881 at St. Eustache.

Dusanne, Wallace (b. 1850)

Cleophas Ducharme was born on September 8, 1850, the son of Jean Baptiste Ducharme and Magdeleine Houle. He married Victoria Ledoux, the daughter of Jean Baptiste Ledoux and Marguerite Breland in 1874 at Duck Lake.

They had eight children born at St. Françoise Xavier and at Wood Mountain.

Scrip affidavit for Ducharme, Victoire (nee Ledoux); wife of Cleophas Ducharme; born: 1854; father: Jean Baptiste Ledoux; mother: Marguerite Brelaud

Fagnant, Catherine. (b. 1835)

Catherine was born at St. François Xavier, the daughter of François Fagnant and Madeleine Lemire. Catherine married Antoine Gladu Jr., the son of Charles Gladu and Madeleine Poitras in 1857 at Pembina.

Fagnant, Genevieve. (b. 1835)

Genevieve was born at St. François Xavier, the daughter of Jean Baptiste Fagnant (b. 1801) and Josephite Monet dite Belhumeur. Josephite was the daughter of Michel Monet dit Belhumeur and Cuthbert Grant's sister Marguerite Grant. Genevieve married Pierre Leveille., the son of Pierre Leveille and Julie McKenzie in 1856 at St. François Xavier.

Fagnant, Marguerite. (b. 1826)

Marguerite was born at St. François Xavier, the daughter of Jean Baptiste Fagnant (b. 1801) and Josephite Monet dite Belhumeur. Marguerite married James François "Jimmy" Whitford, the son of François Whitford and Marie Gladu in 1852 at St. François Xavier.

Fagnant : Also see Fayand

Falcon, Isabelle. (b. 1819)

Isabelle was born at St. François Xavier, the daughter of Pierre Falcon and Cuthbert Grant's daughter Marie Grant. Isabelle married Andre Trottier, the son of Andre Trottier and Marguerite Paquette dite St. Denis, on May 7, 1839 at St. François Xavier. Isabelle fought alongside the men at the Battle of the Grand Coteau in 1851.

Falcon, Jean Baptiste "Che-ma-na". (b. 1826)

Jean Baptiste was born near Devil's Lake in the Dakota Territory. He was the son of Pierre Falcon (b. 1793) and Marie Grant (the daughter of Cuthbert Grant). He married Marie Nolin, the daughter of Augustin Nolin and Helene Cameron in 1846. He was the buffalo hunt leader for the St. François Xavier Métis. He died in 1910 at St. Anne, MB.

He was a Métis leader at the Battle of the Grand Coteau in 1851. This battle took place between a Métis buffalo hunting party from St.

François Xavier, led by Jean Baptiste Falcon and the Cut Head (Pabaksa) Yanktonai (Ihank-tonwanna), Dakota, led by Chief Medicine (Sacred) Bear, on July 15 to 16, 1851. His sister, Isabelle Falcon, also participated in this battle. Jean Baptiste's son Francis Falcon would record in 1938:

Jean Baptiste Falcon was going around acting as captain, his sister Isabelle was fighting in his place. She never left him alone during the three days battle, she would force him to rest and during that time she would shoot and she was a good shot too. Every time they would shoot, it was sure a Sioux would fall. And they would shoot from sunrise to sunset every-day.

Jean Baptiste Falcon and Marie Nolin had the following children:

- Marie, born May 27, 1849 at Baie St. Paul. She married Antoine Desjarlais, the son of Antoine Desjarlais and Louise Richard.
- Melanie, born July 28, 1850 at St. François Xavier. She married Hippolyte Beaudry, the son of Narcisse Beaudry and Lucie Breland.
- Pierre Falcon, born November 11, 1851 at St. Françoise Xavier. He married Florestine McGillis, the daughter of John McGillis and Marie Breland.
- Rose, born January 17, 1853 at St. François Xavier. She married François Roussin, the son of François Roussin and Elise Courchene.
- Emelie, born October 15, 1854 at St. François Xavier. She married Octave Perreault, the son of Norbert Perreault and Monique Hamelin.
- Alphonsine, born December 2, 1856. She married Norbert Blanchette, the son of Jean Louis Blanchette and Adelaide Poissant in 1883. She then married Louis Mainville in 1826.
- Josephite, born October 25, 1859 at St. François Xavier.
- François, born December 22, 1861 at St. François Xavier.
- Madeleine, born March 21, 1863 at St. François Xavier. She married François Berard, the son of Jeremie Berard and Philomene Huppe.

- Gregoire, born August 21, 1864 at SFX and died on November 5, 1865.
- Jean Baptiste, born May 27, 1866 at St. François Xavier and died June 13, 1866.
- Charles, born November 27, 1867 at St. François Xavier. He married Marie Justine Paul, the daughter of William Paul and Flavie Page in 1894
- Isabelle, born August 5, 1869 at St. François Xavier. She married Albert Morin, the son of David Morin and Desneiges Nault in 1895.
- Augustin, born March 10, 1871.
- Angelique, born March 5, 1873. She married David Roussin, the son of François Roussin and Elise Courchene in 1899.

Farmah, Edward Say

Farmah, Leander Say

Fayiant (Fagnant), François Xavier. (b. 1837)

François Fagnant was born at St. François Xavier, the son of François Fagnant Sr. and Madeleine Lemire. He married Marie Bonneau the daughter of Pierre Bonneau and Louise Garipey. Their ten children were born across the prairies at Oak Lake, Lebret, Wood Mountain, Cypress Hills and Dupuyer, Montana. He died on March 14, 1912 at St. Peter's Mission, Montana.

Fayant, William "Kee-tar-kiss." (b. 1852)

William "Kee-tar-kiss" Fagnant was born on November 8, 1852 the son of François Fagnant Sr. and Madeleine Lemire. He married Betsy Parisien, daughter of Joseph Parisien and Marguerite Lavallee at Lebret in 1872. He then married Julia Lafontaine before 1886 and they had ten children.

In his scrip application William says that he left for the NWT three years before the transfer and was with them at Wood Mountain, White Mud River and Cypress Hills. He was then living at Oak Lake.

Fagnant, William - Concerning his claim as a child - Address, Qu'Appelle, P.O. [Post Office] - Born, 1853 at Red River - Father, François Fagnant, (Métis), deceased - Mother, Madeleine Lemire, (Métis) - Married, 1875 to Betsy Parisien, deceased - Scrip for \$240 - Claim 1557.

Fayand, "Trefflé" Theophile. (b. 1863)

Theophile was the son of François Fagnant Jr. and Marie Bonneau. His uncle William Fagnant (Fayiant) is listed above. On his mother's side his grandfather Pierre Bonneau Sr. and her brothers Charles, Basile, Julien and Pierre Jr. were also part of this hunting group. In his scrip application he says that he was with his parents near Regina in 1870 and was then a plains hunter. He took up residence at Qu'Appelle in 1884.

Fagnant, Theophile - Concerning his claim as a child - Address, Fort Qu'Appelle, P.O. [Post Office] - Born, January 2, 1863 at Oak Lake, Manitoba - Father, Xavier Fagnant, (Métis) - Mother, Marie Bonneau, (Métis) - Scrip for \$240 - Claim 58.

Fiddler, Peter (b. 1825)

Peter Fidler was born on March 15, 1825 in St. James, the son of Charles Fidler and Ann Saunders. He married (1860) Jane Lambert, the daughter of Etienne Lambert and Catherine Gaddy, then married Therese Swain, the daughter of John Swain and Marie Marguerite Allery in 1871. Theresa's brother, Alexandre Swain, also signed the Cypress Hills petition.

Fisher, Madeleine. (b. 1831)

Madeleine was the daughter of Henry Munroe Fisher (b. 1800) and Marguerite Laframboise. Madeleine married François Poitras, the son of Andre Poitras and Cuthbert Grant's sister Marguerite Grant, in 1850 at Pembina.

Flamand, Euphrosine. (b. 1850)

Euphrosine was born on December 10, 1850 at St. François Xavier, the daughter of Antoine Flamand (b. 1818) and Marguerite Lafreniere. She married Jean Baptiste Ducharme the son of Jean Baptiste Ducharme and Magdeleine Houle in 1870 at St. François Xavier.

Fournier, Philomene. (b. 1847)

Philomene was born on April 18, 1847 at St. Boniface, the daughter of François Fournier dit Wiskway (b. 1796) and Angelique Methote. This family was at Pembina in 1850 and enumerated as Family # 124. Philomene married Chrysologue Pelletier, the son of Jean Baptiste Pelletier and Madeleine Deschamps in 1870 at Lebret.

Gaddy (Gaddie) Alexandre Sr.

Alexander was one of the Métis at Fort Walsh submitted a petition, on behalf of the Mé-

tis of the four districts of Assiniboia to join Treaty 4, on September 7, 1876.

Alexander Gaddie Sr. was member of the Cowessess Band; he was a farmer on the reserve, and a former Headman of the band. In the 1870s he was hired as an interpreter for Cowessess Band. Alexandre was first married to Margaret Kennedy (Métis) and then to Eliza Lemire (Métis). Eliza (b. circa 1829) was the daughter of Joseph Lemire (b. 1811) and Julie Martin. A number of her brothers were part of the Cypress Hills hunting brigade and signed the 1878 petition for a reserve. Alexander had five children: Mary (b. 1854), Margaret (b. 1857), William (b. 1861), Jane (b. 1863) and Alexander James (b. 1866). The Gaddy (Gaddie) family eventually took treaty and lived on the Cowessess Reserve on Crooked Lake.

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Gaddie, Alexandre; for his deceased children: Alexander, born: 1877 at Cypress Hills; died: when 1 month old at Cypress Hills; Unnamed, born: 1873 at Cypress Hills; died: when 1 week old at Cypress Hills; father: Alexandre Gaddie (Métis and deponent); mother: of unnamed child Margaret Kennedy (Métis) and of Alexander, Eliza Lemire (Métis); address: Crooked Lake; claim no. 385.

Gaddy (Gaddie), Alexander James. (1866)

Alexandre James Gaddy was born in 1866 at Portage la Prairie the son of Alexandre Gaddy. He married Marie Rose Lavallee at Crooked Lake in 1884. Marie Rose was band member #101 of Cowessess Band. Alexander was band member #3 at Cowessess. Both left Treaty in 1886.

Gaddy, Alexandre James; address: Crooked Lake; claim no. 1265; born: 1866 at Portage la Prairie; father: Alexandre Gaddy (Métis); mother: (Métis); married: Winter, 1885 at Crooked Lake to Marie Rose Lavallée; scrip for \$240.00

Gaddy, William (b. 1861)

Gaddy, William - Concerning his claim as a Métis child - Address, Medicine Hat - Born, 1861 at Portage la Prairie - Father, Alexander Gaddy, (Métis) - Mother, Marguerite Kennedy, (Métis) - Scrip for \$240 - Claim

Gariepy (Garapee, Guardipee, Gardipuis) Family³³

The patriarch of the Gariepy family was Louis Marie Gariepy (1777-1856), who was employed with both the North West Company and the Hudson's Bay Company in the fur trade between 1804 and 1825. In 1830 he is recorded as working as a blacksmith.

Louis Gariepy had one son who was a signatory to the Métis petition to join Treaty Four on September 7, 1876 at Fort Walsh.. He and his wife Josephthe (Saulteaux) one daughter, Louise Gariepy Bonneau, whose husband Pierre Bonneau Sr. signed the Cypress Hills Métis Hunting Band Petition for a reserve in September of 1878. Louis Gariepy and his wife Josephthe Suzette "Nahasthay" Ducharme³⁴ had three sons who signed the Cypress Hills Métis Hunting Band Petition for a reserve, Bonaventure (b. 1825), Louis (b. 1828) and Jean Baptiste (b. 1832)

Appointments & Service in the fur trade
Outfit Year*: Position: Post: District: HBCA
Reference:

*An Outfit year ran from 1 June to 31 May, North West Company.

- 1804 Voyageur Haute de la Rivière Rouge : Masson, *Bourgeois de la Compagnie du Nord-Ouest* (1889), p. 403
- 1811-1821 Voyageur Haute de la Rivière Rouge F.4/32, fo. 421 Hudson Bay Company.
- 1821-1824 Canadian Servant Upper Red River, PAM: B.239/g/61-63
- 1824-1825 Retired PAM: B.239/g/64
- After retirement, resided at St. François Xavier and White Horse Plains (Red River Census, 1832-1833, 1838).
- Buried 2 June 1856 at St. François Xavier (Gail Morin, *Métis Families: A Genealogical Compendium*).

On September 7, 1876, 30 Métis at Fort Walsh submitted a petition, on behalf of the Métis of the four districts of Assiniboia to join Treaty 4. Among these men was Bonaventure Gariepy (b. 1825)

³³ This section was written with the assistance of information provided by Kendra Gariepy, Brenda Snider and Nicholas Vrooman.

³⁴ The daughter of Antoine Ducharme and Josephthe Maskegonne Richard. Josephthe was born in 1806 and died in 1871 on the Marias River. They married on August 15, 1825 in St. Boniface.

On August 6, 1880, Louis Riel and a group of Métis living in Montana petitioned General Nelson A. Miles for a special Métis reservation in Montana. Twenty of the men signing this petition had also signed the Cypress Hills Métis Petition in 1878. The Gariepy men are:

- Baptiste Gariépy (b. 1832)
- Elie Gariépy (b. 1857)
- Louis Gariépy (b. 1828)
- Leonide Gariépy (b. 1852)

Gariepy, Bonaventure. (b. 1825)

Bonaventure was born on March 2, 1825, at St. François Xavier, the son of Louis Gariepy and Josephte Ducharme. He married Madeleine Larocque dit Roquebrune (b. 1857) on January 11, 1847 in St François Xavier. She was the daughter of Olivier Roquebrune dit Larocque and Madeleine Piche. Bonaventure died in Winnipeg on April 14, 1890. Their daughter Marguerite and son-in-law Joseph Parisien were part of the Cypress Hills Hunting Brigade. We do not know exactly how many of their children were present in the Cypress Hills Brigade in 1878.

- Bernard, born 1846.
- Helene, born February 7, 1848.
- William Gariepy, born 1849.
- Marguerite, born January 1, 1850 at Riviere aux Castors. She married Joseph Parisien in 1871 at Lebret.
- Louis, born 1857 at SFX.
- Rose Gariepy, born 1859. She married John McLeod in the Sun River Valley, Montana in 1874.
- Mathilde, born 1866 at SFX.
- Alexandre, born 1866 at SFX.
- Jean Baptiste, born 1869 at SFX.
- Flora, born 1870 at Lebret, married Edwin Hanson in 1885.
- Julie, born 1874 at Sun River, she died in 1886 at age 12 and is buried at Lebret.

Gariepy, Caroline. (b. 1842)

Caroline was the daughter of François Gariepy (b. 1824) and Helene Poitras (the daughter of Cuthbert Grant's sister Marguerite). Caroline and her husband Guillaume were members of the Cypress Hills Hunting Band. Guillaume or William Lafournaise was the son of Jean Baptiste Lafournaise and Marguerite Gosselin.

Gariepy (Guardipee), Eli "Isinamaken" (1857-1942)

Elie Gariepy was born on May 31, 1857 at Turtle Mountain, the son of Jean Baptiste Gariepy (b. 1832) and Judith Cardinal. Elie is a grandson of Louis Gariepy (b. 1771) and Josephite Ducharme, a St. François Xavier Métis family.³⁵ Elie married Antonia Kataitsipi-tsaki, the daughter of Matusohn and Auetsipiaki on December 5, 1885 at Badger Creek Agency, St. Peter's Mission, Montana. He was subsequently married to Sadimina, "Saddie". They lived on the Pikuni Blackfoot reserve in Teton County, Montana. Eli was a tall blue-eyed Michif man. His Blackfoot name was "Takes Gun Ahead". In the 1800 census he is shown living at North Bank, Upper Teton River, Choteau, with wife Mary Guardipee, sons John and unnamed Guardipee. In the 1904 census he is shown as: Eli L Guardipee / male / Head / age 47 / listed with wife Sadie Guardipee, sons Frank, Charles and William Joseph Guardipee, daughters Josephine, Louise and Agnes Guardipee. In the 1910 census he is living at Blackfeet Indian Reservation, Teton County, with wife Sadie Guardipee, daughters Louisa and Agnes Guardipee, son William Guardipee.

James Willard Schultz describes Eli in his book "My Life as an Indian"

The Pikunis and a few lodges of Bloods arrived soon after we completed the post, and came, too, one who was to become and always remain a close friend of mine, Eli Guardipee, named by the Pikunis Isinamakan, "Takes Gun Ahead." He was of that family for which so many places in the north are named, as, for instance, the Guardipee Crossing of Bow River. He was but a year older than I; tall, slender, very intelligent, kind of heart, brave to a fault; and the most successful hunter, the surest shot that I have ever known.

In 1878, Elie and the other Métis buffalo hunters at Cypress Hills wrote a petition asking for a special Métis reserve of land.³⁶ Elie's older

³⁵ Louis Gariepy was a voyageur with the North West Company (1804, 1811-1820) and the Hudson's Bay Company (1821-1824). In 1824 he retired to St. François Xavier where he worked as a blacksmith.

³⁶ Requesting a re-opening of the buffalo hunt between November 14th and February 15th each year and the granting of Métis "reserve" land (A strip of land 150 miles long along the American border beginning where the Pembina River

brother Leonide “Can-da-we-cam-chi” (b. 1852) also signed this petition. He lived with Chief Rocky Boy’s group. They also signed the petition for a Métis reserve in Montana, sent by Louis Riel to General Nelson A. Miles, August 6, 1880.

Eli Guardipee's Narrative³⁷ -

I was born May 31, 1857, in one of the half-breed settlements in the Turtle Mountains in what is now North Dakota. The coming of the white man had driven out almost all of the big game farther westward and the streams had been trapped until there was but little fur to be taken any more. In fact, it had become so that the breed settlements practically all moved westward for their meat supply as soon as spring came, and returned to their homes in the Turtle Mountains for the winter. . . .

As the years moved by the game retreated farther west until it finally became so that it took most of the year to go out in the Red River carts, kill and cure a sufficient supply of meat to last during the winter. It seems that it never occurred to those happy, dancing, simple-minded people to move out and live where there was game.

Every year they trudged over the vast trackless plains to get meat, loaded their carts with meat and robes during the summer and fall, then returned to the Turtle Mountains for the winter, ate their supply of meat and repeated the performance again next year.

In the late summer of 1867, one Tom Lavatta [who had lived with his Indian wife and family with Johnny Grant at Deer Lodge] came to the Turtle Mountain country with a herd of horses being driven to the Red River country in Manitoba. These horses numbering about 150 head were somewhat larger than the breed cayuses and were sold to the farmers on Red River. . . . Tom Lavatta wintered in the Red River country in 1867-68 and was ready to return to Montana in the spring of 1868.

crosses the border. This strip was to be fifty miles from south to north.

³⁷ Notes for Eli L. Garipey: From: MyFamily.com; by Nicholas Vrooman - Nov 11, 2010 Eli Guardipee’s Reminiscence, as told to John B. Ritch, September 27, 1940, Montana Historical Society, SC772, 1-10.

My father, Baptiste Guardipee, was the son of a French father and a Shoshone woman. My own mother was a Chippewa woman. Lavatta told my father about Montana and in particular he told him of the vast herds of buffalos and other big game in the plains country and of the fine land and pleasant places to live in the Deer Lodge Valley country. He made the picture so attractive that a number of the Turtle Mountain half-breed families resolved to leave their old home and come out to the land where there was so much good hunting and that was so much better than the place where they then lived.

Ten families, using about 30 Red River carts, came with him. There were about 50 people, men, women and children. This was probably the first organized Red River cart caravan to migrate to Montana for the purpose of establishing permanent homes within the territory [there are other examples]. The journey first started with a great company of half-breeds, something like 400 other carts besides my father’s group were coming west to hunt. . . .

We saw many Sioux Indians on the way . . . but our party was so large and so well armed that they did not offer to molest us. . . . When the Milk River country was reached another great camp of breeds was found somewhere in the vicinity of where Dodson is now, and our party stopped there a couple of weeks to visit and hunt with these people. [This is close to Cree Crossing and near the Milk River.]

It was truly a happy life that these people were living. The camp was in the midst of the buffalo herds and they hunted and worked hard during the day but when night came they danced and sang the old French songs, until the late hours, arranged for many and divers horse races for the following day, then slept the sleep of people who had no cares for the moment.

After our visit with the big camp had ended Lavatta and the 10 families coming to make their home in Montana left the main camp and proceeded toward Fort Benton, following the Milk River valley to about where Havre now is. Grass was plenty, buffalo were so numerous that the whole country was, as the Indians say, ‘one robe.’ The lakes and streams offered a bountiful supply of good water. We reached Fort Benton in September, 1868, and from there five of our families went on to Deer Lodge with Tom Lavat-

ta, the other five including my father's family, elected to stop at Fort Benton. At this time Fort Benton was the biggest and busiest trading post in the plains region west of Fort Union. It was the trading point for practically all of the Black-foot Indians '85.

Benton had grown to be more than a trading post. It had become a distributing point for all the country to the north, even far up into Canada. . . . My father's family and the others of our original party remained at Fort Benton about three weeks, then went to the Goose Bill, a tributary of the Marias River, to the north. . . . we moved back to Fort Benton for a while. This was in October, 1868. He and his friends . . . concluded to go again to the Marias and on this trip three more families accompanied them. . . . They all went north as far as the mouth of Medicine Rock Coulee where Shelby, Montana, is now. Upon leaving Medicine Rock Coulee they found that I. G. Baker and Company were building a fort and trading post, the first fort and trading post to be built on the upper Marias. . . . here we met the famous scout, Peter Cadotte, and another man. . . . [a] big wagon train came along and we followed them up to the [fort at] Four Persons [about three miles up the Teton River from Choteau, Montana] My father and his friends, Alexis Guardipee, Adolph Fellers, Michel Vivieau and Alexander Guardipee, remained to look after the Fort [west of Choteau, Montana] . . .

Peter Cadotte, commonly known as Cadotte, the Scout, came up from Fort Benton and lived with us that winter of 1869-70. Cadotte . . . was a French half-breed. . . . He was greatly liked by all the plainsmen, whites and breeds, and no man amongst these latter was quite so popular amongst the Blackfoot Indians. . . .

Among the well-known plainsmen I met here when I was a boy was Alexis La Bompard.[Alexis La Bombarde]³⁸ . . . He wore

³⁸ Alexis Labombarde (b. 1803): In 1835, Alexis married Nancy Kipling the daughter of John Ram Kipling and Margaret Okanese. She spent most of her life around Fort Union and the Cypress Hills. She was first married to Michel Gravelle and then married Alexis Labombarde. Her daughter Domtild Gravelle was married to Jean Baptiste Dumont at Batoche. Alexis and Nancy lived along the Upper Missouri River where he worked as a guide, hunter, and interpreter for the Sioux and Blackfoot. The American fur company posts at Fort Union and Fort Pierre employed him as a labourer as well. Both Alexis and Nancy were employed by Denig at

his hair long and usually dressed in buckskins. . . . I lived with my father until I grew to manhood. We lived in camps and hunted. Game was so plentiful that it was an easy way to live . . . [at] the fort at Four Persons. 1857

Garapee (Guardipee, Gariepy), Jean Baptiste.
(b. 1832)

Jean Baptiste was born on July 7, 1832, at St. François Xavier, the son of Louis Marie "Awistoyus" Gariepy (b. 1771) and: Josephette Suzette "Nahasthay" Ducharme (b. 1806, died 1871 on the Marias River). His father, Louis was a voyageur first with the NWC then after amalgamation with the HBC. He retired to St. François Xavier in 1824.

Baptiste received Half Breed Scrip (#262) under the Treaty of April 12, 1864 with the Red Lake and Pembina Half Breeds.

Baptiste married Judith Cardinal on June 4, 1855 in St François Xavier. She was the daughter of Antoine Cardinal and Marie DeMontigny Comtois. Baptiste's wife Julia was born in Montana in 1828.

Baptiste was contracted by the HBC at Fort Ellice as a midman in 1855 to 1857. In 1878 Baptiste and his son Elie were members of the group of buffalo hunters at Cypress Hills who petitioned the government for a reserve.³⁹

Children of Jean Baptiste and Judith Cardinal:

- Emelie Gariepy, born August 31, 1855 in St François Xavier. She married Adolphus Fellers before 1872.
- Madeleine Gariepy, born April 13, 1859 at SFX. She married Louis Bruno Azure, the son of Antoine Azure and Victoire Lariviere in 1881 at St. Peter's Mission.
- Elie Gariepy, born May 31, 1857 at St. François Xavier. He married Antoinia "Katataitsipi-tsaki" the daughter of

Fort Union (1852). He worked as an interpreter for the John James Audubon Expedition, and also worked as an interpreter for the Blackfoot agency in Montana. Elie Gariepy recalls that he was "a large dark man [who] wore his hair long and usually dressed in buckskin."

³⁹ They requested a reopening of the buffalo hunt between November 15 and February 15 each year and the granting of a Métis reserve; identified as a strip of land running for 150 miles along the American border beginning where the Pembina River crosses the border. This strip of land was to be fifty miles from north to south.

- Matusohan and Auetsipiaki on December 5, 1875 at Badger Creek, St. Peter's Mission. Elie also signed this petition.
- Madeleine Gariépy, born April 13, 1859 in St François Xavier. She married Louis Bruno Azure, the son of Antoine "Tushish" Azure and Victoïe Larivière in 1882 at St. Peter's Mission, Montana.
 - Jean Gariépy, born March 16, 1861 at SFX. He married Henrietta Blandion dit White, daughter of William Blandion and Rosalie Malaterre in 1882 at St. Peter's Mission.
 - Melanie Gariépy, born, 1863 at St. François Xavier.
 - Charles Gariépy, married Kate Sherman, then married Catherine Fidler.
 - Marie Gariépy, born 1868 on the plains near Medicine Hat, christened at Teton River, Montana, married Vital Emard, in 1885 at Choteau.
 - Josephine Gariépy, born October 12, 1873 at Cypress hills, married Gabriel Salois, son of Toussaint Salois and Helene Breland in 1898. She died at Dupuyer, Montana in 1955.
 - Joseph Gariépy, baptized on July 18, 1874 at the South Fork Teton River, Montana. He married Marie Philomene Houle, the daughter of Charles Houle and Felicite Martel in 1893 at St. Joseph.

Garepee attended a French school at White Horse Plains, Canada, for two years, and this closed his scholastic education, although he has acquired in the school of life a practical business experience that richly compensates for the lack of the other. Until his father's death, in 1856, he remained at home industriously working on the farm, and after this he became a noted buffalo hunter in Canada, which occupation he followed until 1868, when he came to Montana and located at Fort Benton, which he made headquarters for buffalo hunting until 1882, when the American bison practically ceased to exist and his occupation was gone. But he was equal to the emergency and in that same year secured a ranch on the upper Teton River, eighteen miles from Choteau, Teton County, and for twelve years engaged in stock raising. This property he sold in 1896, and from that time he has resided with his son, Eli, who has a fine ranch on Cut Bank River, and with his daughter, Emily, the wife

of Adolphus Fellers, living near Dupuyer, Teton County. Mr. Garepee, although advanced in years, is still healthy and active, and has a number of plans mapped out for hunting and trapping in the mountains. He has seven children ; Mrs., Emily Fellers; Magdalene, now of North Dakota; Johnnie, at St. Peter's mission; Charles, living on the Teton River; Mary, married and residing in Canada; Eli, owner of the ranch on the Cut Bank River, and Josephine, wife of Gabriel Selwood (Salois), now living on the Upper Dupuyer River. (From *Progressive Men of Montana* p. 1557-1558)

1880 Montana Census shows: Guardupee Baptiste / white / male / age 48 / occupation Farmer / cannot read / cannot write / born Canada / father born Canada / mother born Canada / living at North Bank, Upper Teton River, Choteau, with wife Julia Guardupee, daughters Madeleine, Mary and Josephine Guardupee, sons John and Charles Guardupee, stepson Joseph Guardupee, stepdaughter Sarah Guardupee, grandson Eli Guardupee, granddaughter Julia Guardupee.

Gariépy (Grant), Josephthe Helen. (b. 1844)

Josephthe was the daughter of François Gariépy and Helene Poitras. She married James Grant, the son of Cuthbert Grant and Marie McGillis in 1862 at Pembina. They were members of the Cypress Hills Band.

Gariépy (Guardipee), Leonide "Can-da-we-cam-chi." (b. 1852)

Leonide, called "Can-da-we-cam-chi," was born or christened on June 2, 1852 at St. François Xavier, the son of Louis Gariépy and Marie Cardinal. His grandparents were Louis Gariépy Sr. and Josephthe Ducharme. He first married Josephthe Boulette (before 1873) then married Marguerite Pelletier at Lebret on September 6, 1875 and was later married to Marie Rose Laroque "Cak-ik-ay-asee-quia" (Going-by-the-Wind), born at Great Falls, Montana, the daughter of Jean Baptiste Larocque and Julie Lemire at Judith Basin, Montana in 1881. In 1878 Leonide and his father Louis were members of the group of buffalo hunters at Cypress Hills who petitioned the government for a reserve. His younger brother Eli "Isinamakan" Guardipee (Gariépy) (1857-1942) also signed this petition. They also signed the petition for a Métis reserve in Montana, sent by Louis Riel to General Nelson A. Miles, August 6, 1880.

Leonide is listed on the Rocky Boy Band Census of 1909 as #106, age 60, his wife Cak-ik-ay-asee-quia (Going -by-the-Wind) is listed as #107, age 56. Their son Oat-chi-case (James) age 20, born in Alberta, is listed as #108, Louis, age 19 is # 114, and daughter Christine, age 17 is shown as #109. Helen "Mess-app" age 14 is #110. Charles age 10 is #111. Peter "Chat-chepp, age 7, born at Fort Hall is #112. Amelia, age 4, born at Butte, is #113. The family also appears on the Rocky Boy Band Census of 1917.

Scrip application:

Gariépy, Leonide - Concerning his claim as a child - Address, Medicine Hat - Born, 1850 at St. François Xavier - Father, Louis Gariépy Jr., (Métis), deceased - Mother, Marie Cardinal, (Métis) - Married, 1877 at Qu'Appelle, to Marguerite Pelletier and to Marie Rose Larocque at Missouri, USA in 1881 - Children living, two (names on declaration) - Children deceased, three - Scrip for \$240 - Claim 342

Gariépy, Louis. (b. 1828)

Louis Gariépy was the son of Louis Gariépy and Josephite Ducharme. On January 14, 1851, he married Marie Cardinal the daughter of Antoine Cardinal and Marie Comptois. He is shown as a temporary staff member at Fort Ellice, 1863-64, and 1865. In 1865-68 he was on contract at Fort Ellice as a blacksmith. The next year he is recorded as a Freeman. The family had children born in Canada at St. François Xavier, Fort Ellice and Lebret as well as in the USA at Flat Willow Creek and Poplar River. Louis and his sons, Leonide and Elie also signed the petition for a Métis reserve in Montana, sent by Louis Riel to General Nelson A. Miles, August 6, 1880. Louis died on 17 Jan 1884 in Lebret, Saskatchewan.

Children:

- Leonide, born June 2, 1852 at SFX. He first married Josephite Boulette before 1873, and then married Marguerite Pelletier, daughter of Pierre Pelletier and Angelique Comtois in 1875 at Lebret.
- Jean Baptiste, born 1853 at SFX. He married Margaret Chartier daughter of Joseph Chartier and Angelique Lavalée in 1880 at Flat Willow Creek.
- Elie, born May 10, 1862 at Troy Station, Qu'Appelle Valley, he married Marie Larocque.

- Paul, born October 30, 1863, he married Mary Doney.
- Caroline, born September 18, 1864 at Fort Ellice.
- Louise, born September 27, 1867 at Lebret. She died in 1885 at age 17.
- Helene, born February 25, 1870 at Poplar River. She married Frank Kelsey before 1896, and then married Gregory Doney the son of Joseph Delauney and Josephite Henry.
- Zacharie, born May 18, 1872 at Lebret.

Cardinal, Marie - Concerning her claim as a head of family - Address, Fort Qu'Appelle - Born, Jasper House, summer of 1831 - Father, Antoine Cardinal, (Métis) - Mother, Marie Godin, (Métis) - Married, winter of 1851 at St. François Xavier, to Louis Gariépy (died Jan. 17, 1884) - Children living, nine (names on declaration) - Children deceased, three - Claim 88 Finding

Gariépy (Bonneau), Louise. (b. 1803)

Louise was the daughter of Louis Gariépy (b. 1771) and Josephite (Chippewa). Louise married Pierre Bonneau Sr. (b. 1803), the son of Jean Baptiste Bonneau and Louise (Chippewa) in 1830 at St. Boniface. Louise and her husband were members of the Cypress Hills Band.

Gariépy, Marguerite. (b. 1850)

Marguerite Gariépy was born on January 1, 1850 at Riviere aux Castors, the daughter of Bonaventure Gariépy (b. 1825) and Madeleine Larocque. She married Joseph Parisien on May 21, 1871 in Lebret. Joseph was the son of Joseph Parisien and Marguerite Lavalée Martin. Marguerite and her husband were members of the Cypress Hills Band.

(St.) Germain, Andre "Wah be dee". (b. 1837)

Andre "Wah be dee" St. Germain was born on December 20, 1837, the son of François St. Germain and Louise Fossier. He married Catherine St. Denis; her brother Cuthbert also signed this petition. He then married Louise Short, daughter of James Short and Charlotte Gladu. They had eight children.

Scrip affidavit for St. Germain, André; born: January 1, 1838; father: François St. Germain (French Canadian); mother: Louise Fossier (Métis); claim no: 2665; scrip no: 12237; date of issue: April 20, 1877; amount: \$160

Scrip affidavit for St. Germain, Elise; born: 1847; husband: André St. Germain; father: James Short (Métis); mother: Marie Gladu (Métis); claim no: 1479; scrip no: 10423; date of issue: 21 August 1876; amount: \$160.

St. Germain, André; for his deceased children: Thomas, born: 1877 at Grand Clairière; died: May, 1879 at Cypress Hills; Hyacinthe, born: 1878 at Cypress Hills; died: 1885 at St. John; address: Williston, North Dakota; father: André St. Germain (Métis and deponent); mother Elise Short (Métis); file ref. 958981; claim no. 976.

Scrip affidavit for St. Germain, Elise (nee Short); wife of André St. Germain; concerning the claims of her children: Marie Rose St. Germain, born: 29 December 1865; Henriette St. Germain, born: 5 February 1870.

St. Germain, André; for his minor son, Eli St. Germain; address: Williston, North Dakota; born: 7 March, 1881 at Wood Mountain; father: André St. Germain (Métis and deponent); mother: Elise Short (Métis); file ref. 958985; claim no. 977.

Gervais, Charlotte. (b. 1840)

Charlotte was born on October 10, 1840, the daughter of Alexis Gervais (b. 1818) and Madeleine Fagnant. She married Norbert Delorme, the son of Urbain Dulorme and Madeleine Vivier in 1858 at St. François Xavier.

Giroux dit McGillis, Modeste. (b. 1846)

Modeste was born on February 26, 1846, the son of Alexandre Giroux dit McGillis and Marguerite Mindaimoyien Potino Bottineau. He married Isabelle Poitras, the daughter of Gabriel Poitras Sr. and Isabelle Malaterre in 1866 at St. François Xavier. Her father also signed this petition. They had the following children:

- François Xavier, b. 1867 at SFX.
- Marie Elise, b. 1868, married François Boxeur.
- Toby, b. 1870 at Wood Mountain, died 1871 at Lebret.
- Marie Seraphine, b. 1872, at Wood Mountain; died 1878 at Cypress Hills.
- Louis Riel, b. 1874 at Wood Mountain, married Marguerite Thomas.
- Jean Marie, b. 1876 at Wood Mountain, died 1877 at Qu'Appelle.

- Adele, b. 1878 at Wood Mountain, died 1878.
- Mathilda, b. 1879 at Cypress Hills, married Alphonse Langer.
- Marguerite, b. 1883 at Willow Bunch, married Jean Marie Whitford.
- Rose Athalie, b. 1886 at Willow Bunch, married Peter Dumont then Joseph Rainville.
- Marie Florestine, b. 1888 at Willow Bunch, died 1891.

Gladu, Antoine Sr. (b. c. 1808)

Antoine was the son of Charles Gladu Sr. and Marguerite Ross. He was first married to Josephite Desjarlais in 1837 at St. François Xavier. After her death he married Marie Anne Bourassa, the daughter of Jean Baptiste Bourassa. In Henderson's Directory 1881-82 Antoine is listed as a hivernant trader in the Cypress Hills region.

Gladu, Antoine Jr. (b. 1835)

Antoine Gladu was born on December 22, 1835 at St. François Xavier, the son of Charles Gladu and Madeleine Poitras. He married Catherine Fagnant, the daughter of François Fagnant and Madeleine Lemire on September 28, 1857 at Pembina. His two brothers-in-law, William and François Fagnant also signed this petition.

Their children were:

- Eulalie, born 1858. She later married Alexander Davis born 1852, the son of Jean Baptiste Davis and Julie Desnommé. He was a member of this hunting band and signed the petition.
- Sarah, born 1860, married James Whitford. James was born at Pembina on September 14, 1854, the son of James F. Whitford and Marguerite Fagnant. James also signed this petition.
- Michel, born 1865, Marie then Camille Ritchot.
- François Xavier, born 1867.
- Madeleine, born 1869 died prior to 1885.
- Napoleon, born 1872, died in 1881.
- Helene, born 1875 at Cypress Hills, died in 1885.
- Jean Raphael, born 1877, died in 1878.
- Charles Bruno, died in 1882.

Scrip affidavit Catherine; for her deceased children: Napoleon, born: 1872 at Fisher, North Dakota; died:

11 May, 1881 at Flatt Creek; H el ene, born: 1875 at Cypress Hills; died: 7 October, 1885 at Oak Lake; Charles Bruno, born: 1882 at Oak Lake; address: Fisher, North Dakota; father: Antoine Gladu (M etis); mother: Catherine Fagnant (M etis and deponent); heir: their brother, Frank Gladu; Napol eon, scrip cert.: form F, no. 2064; Charles Bruno, scrip cert.: form F, no. 2065; H el ene, scrip cert.: form F, no. 2066; claim no. 358 Oak Lake; died: 15 December, 1882 at Oak Lake; address: Fisher, North Dakota; father: Antoine Gladu (M etis); mother: Catherine Fagnant (M etis and deponent); heir: their brother, Frank Gladu; Napol eon, scrip cert.: form F, no. 2064; Charles Bruno, scrip cert.: form F, no. 2065; H el ene, scrip cert.: form F, no. 2066; claim no. 358.

Gladu, Eulalie. (b. 1858)

Eulalie was born on September 2, 1858, the daughter of Antoine Gladu (b. 1835) and Catherine Fagnant. Eulalie married Alexandre Davis Jr. the son of Jean Baptiste Davis and Julie Desn omm e in 1875 at Lebret.

Gladu, Larose. (b. 1860)

Larose was the daughter of Charles Gladu (b. 1830) and Genevieve Parisien. She married Severe Hamelin, the son of Jacques Bonhomme Hamelin and Mary Allary in 1877.

Gladu, Michel Jr. "Tche-quon-ence." (b.c. 1830)

Michel, known as "Tche-quon-ence" was born on May 10, 1830 at St. Fran ois Xavier, the son of Charles Gladue and Marguerite Ross. He married Marie Catherine Wilkie, the daughter of Jean Baptiste Wilkie and Amable Azure in 1852 at Pembina. He then married Marie Camille Ritchot in 1888 at St. Joseph's.

Michel received Half Breed Scrip (#263) under the Red Lake and Pembina Band Treaty of 1863/64. When he received his scrip he was living with his father Charles.

In 1868, he and his family appear on the Pembina Annuity Roll, as #149 in Way ke ge ke zhick's Band.

Gladu, Charles. (b. 1830)

Charles was the son of Charles Gladu and Madeleine Poitras. He first married Genevieve Parisien, the daughter of Jean Baptiste Parisien and Charlotte Nolin in 1854 at Pembina. He then married Marie Leocadiz Martel the daughter of Jean Baptiste Martel and Josephte Godon.

Children of Charles and Genevieve:

- Charles, born 1854, died 1855.

- Charles, born 1855, died 1872 on the plains.
- Marie Anastasie, born 1856, married Joseph Amyotte then William Morin.
- Esther, born 1858, married Antoine Wilkie, the son of Jean Baptiste Wilkie and Amable Azure.
- Larose, born 1860, married Severe Hamelin, the son of Jacques Bonhomme Hamelin and Mary Allary. Severe was a member of this band and signed the petition S ev ere also signed the petition for a M etis reserve in Montana, sent by Louis Riel to General Nelson A. Miles, August 6, 1880.
- Bruno, born 1861, died 1874.

Children of Charles and Marie:

- Charles, known as "Tchee-guan", born 1868, died 1928 at Medicine Lake.
- Sarah, born 1871, married Andrew Morin.
- Jean Marie, born 1872 at Lebret.
- Marie Leocadie, born 1874 at Lebret, died in 1895 at Dunseith.
- Marie Louise, born 1876, married St. Pierre Morin.
- Marie Rosalie, born 1876 at Wood Mountain, died in 1893 at St. Louis.
- Claude, born 1880, married Marie Adeline Dubois.
- Jean Moise, born 1884 at Belcourt, married Marie Pauline Dubois.
- Joseph, born 1884, married Marie Parisien then married Marie Louise Marion.
- William, born 1885, married Alicia Dubois.
- Louis John, born 1888, died 1971 at Medicine Lake.

Gladu, Sarah. (b. 1860)

Sarah was born on June 22, 1860, the daughter of Antoine Gladu and Catherine Fagnant. Sarah married James Whitford Jr., the son of James Fran ois Whitford and Marguerite Fagnant in 1878 at St. Fran ois Xavier.

Gonneville, Elizabeth. (b. 1847)

Elizabeth was the daughter of Alexis Gonneville (b. 1817) and Josephte Trottier (the daughter of Andre Trottier Marguerite Paquette dite St. Denis). Elizabeth. Married St. Pierre

Morin, the son of Antoine Morin and Therese Larocque in 1871 at Duck Lake.

Gonneville, Lucie, Louise. (b. 1851)

Lucie was the daughter of Alexis Gonneville (b. 1817) and Joseph Trotter. She married Paul Pelletier, the son of Pierre Pelletier and Joseph Deschamps in 1871 at Lebrét.

Gosselin, Helene. (b. 1843)

Helene was born on August 24, 1843, at St. Norbert, the daughter of François Gosselin (b. 1817)⁴⁰ and Suzanne Lafournaise. She married John Desmarais, the son of Joseph Desmarais and Adelaide Clemont in 1869 at St. Norbert.

Gosselin, Marguerite. (b. 1842)

Marguerite was born on October 29, 1842 at St. Norbert, the daughter of François Gosselin and Suzanne Lafournaise. She married Louis Morin, the son of Antoine Morin and Therese Larocque in 1862 at St. Norbert.

Grandbois, Sophie. (b. 1827)

Sophie was the daughter of Michel Grandbois (b. 1781) and Marguerite Landry. She married Joseph Leveille, the son of Pierre Leveille and Julie McKenzie in 1858 at Pembina.

Grant, James. (b. 1837)

James Grant was born on March 22, 1837 at St. François Xavier, the son of Cuthbert Grant and Marie McGillis. He married Joseph Helene Gariépy, born January 10, 1844, the daughter of François Gariépy and Helene Poitras on June 16, 1862 at Pembina. Like many Métis hunting and trading families they had children born at several locations across the plains.

Josette and James Grant had the following children:

- Mary, born 1867, died 1877 at Lebrét.
- Marie Virginie, born 1871 at St. Joseph, Dakota Territory.
- Marie Florestine, born 1872 at St. François Xavier, died 1874 at St. François Xavier.

⁴⁰ François Gosselin was sub-leader un Jean Baptiste Wilkie when a large Chippewa-Métis and Dakota battle took place at O'Brien's Coulée near present day Olga, North Dakota in the mid-summer of 1848. He was also a Sub-Leader of the 49th Rangers, the Métis scouts for the British-Canadian Boundary Commission, 1872-73.

- Joseph Cuthbert, born 1874 at Wood Mountain, died 1874, age 23 at Qu'Appelle.
- Marie Josephine, born 1876 at Wood Mountain, died 1888 at age 11.
- Allyre, born 1878 at Wood Mountain.
- Marie Ernestine, born 1821 at Katepwe, died 1892 at age 11.
- Joseph Alfred, born 1883 at Katepwe, died 1897 at age 14.
- Clement Joseph, born 1886 at Lebrét.

James Grant came west with his father Cuthbert Grant on the annual buffalo hunt. James Grant eventually settled at the east end of Lake Katepwe in the Qu'Appelle Valley. They came with horse drawn Red River carts, bringing about 50 horses, a few head of cattle, saws, axes, scythes, a wooden-beam walking plow and all their household items. In the summer James operated a caravan of Red River carts bringing supplies from Winnipeg to Troy and Fort Qu'Appelle. In the winter, after the railroad came through, he hauled freight by sleigh into Prince Albert for Archie McDonald, the HBC Factor at Fort Qu'Appelle. The route he used was over the Touchwood Trail, a trip which took six weeks.

In 1878 James Grant signed the petition of the Métis hunting band at Cypress Hills. Subsequently James Grant signed the September 2, 1880 petition from Peter LaPierre and other Métis of Qu'Appelle Settlement concerning Métis land claims that subsequently went unanswered by the government. This petition was addressed to the Marquis of Lorne, "This humble petition of Peter LaPierre, Simon Blondin, John Fisher, Alexander Fisher, John Simpson, Xavier Desnominé, and others, Halfbreeds of Qu'Appelle Settlement etc.

Grant, Maria. (b. 1820)

Maria was the daughter of Cuthbert Grant (b. 1793) and Marie Madeleine Desmarais (b. 1805). Maria, at age 15, married Pascal Breland (b. 1811), the son of Pierre du Boishue Breland and Joseph (Louise) Belly (Métis).

Guilbault, Angelique (b. 1820)

Angelique was the daughter of Joseph Guilbault. She married Baptiste Brière (b. 1831) the son of Jean Baptiste Bruyere (1772-1841) and Françoise (Serpente). Angelique was his third wife; they had six children between 1839 and 1861.

Haggeyt (Haggai), Louis. (b. 1847)

Louis, an American, was married to Mary Roy (King), a Métis born in 1855; they lived at Fort Walsh, Maple Creek, Willow Bunch and Wood Mountain. Louis had worked as a scout for the N.W.M.P. in Wood Mountain. They are listed in the Fort Walsh Census of 1881 living in household #11 with their son Alex, age four.⁴¹



Louis and Marie (SAB R-A3444)

Louis operated a freighting outfit hauling goods between Fort Walsh and Fort Benton on the Missouri River. This lasted until Fort Walsh closed in 1882, Louis and Mary Haggeyt then moved east into the Wood Mountain area.

Métis scrip claim: Haggeyt, Louis; heir to his deceased son, Peter Haggeyt; claim no. 116; address: Wood Mountain; born: May, 1884 at Maple Creek; died: March, 1885 at Maple Creek; father: Louis Haggeyt (Métis & deponent); mother: Mary King or Roy. He applied for scrip for five deceased and one living child.

Hamelin, Angelique. (b. 1839)

Angelique was the daughter of Joseph Hamelin (b. 1810) and Therese Ducharme (b. 1808). In 1857, at St. François Xavier, Angelique married William Swain Sr. (b. 1838) the son of John Swain (b. 1818) and Marguerite Allary. They had eight children between 1858 and 1882, born variously at St. François Xavier, St. Peter's, Montana, Duck Lake and the Cypress Hills. Their sons Jean Baptiste (b. 1864), William Jr.

⁴¹ Thelma Poirier (Ed.), *Wood Mountain Uplands: From the Big Muddy to the Frenchman River*. Wood Mountain, SK: Wood Mountain Historical Society, 2000: 34, 58, 94.

(b. 1861) and John (b. 1858) also signed this petition.

Hamelin, Sévère. (b. 1852)

Sévère was born on May 13, 1852, at Pembina, the son of Jacques Bonhomme Hamelin⁴² and Mary Allary (Henry). He married LaRose Gladue, the daughter of Charles Gladue and Genevieve Parisien in 1877. Charles Gladue was also a member of this band and signed the petition. Sévère also signed the petition for a Métis reserve in Montana, sent by Louis Riel to General Nelson A. Miles, August 6, 1880.

Sévère and his nephew Norman appear on the Turtle Mountain Band census of 1886. Severe Hamelin, his wife LaRose Gladu and Severe's nephew Norman Hamelin appear on the 1900 Montana Census for Teton County.

Amyotte, Madeleine; as claimant for her deceased niece Martine Hamelin; claim no. 1103; address: File Hills; born: 7 August, 1879 at Wood Mountain; father: Severe Hamelin (Métis); mother: Marie Rose Gladu (Métis); died: 7 May, 1880; file ref. 998882

Houle, Alexandre "Mash-koo-pee-meesh". (b. 1848)

Alexandre "Mash-koo-pee-meesh" Houle was born on November 17, 1848, the son of Charles Houle and Catherine Falardeau. He married Marguerite Davis, the daughter of Jean Baptiste Davis and Julie Desnommé in 1871 at LEBRET. Two of his brothers-in-law also signed this petition. Alexandre Houle, his wife Marguerite and seven children appear on the Turtle Mountain Band census of 1889.

Houle, Alexander - Concerning his claim as a head of family - Address, Willow Bunch - Born, 1847 at Pembina - Father, Charles Houle, (Métis), deceased - Mother, Catherine Ducharme, (Métis) - Married, May 1870 to Marguerite Davis at Qu'Appelle - Children living, six - Children deceased, four - Scrip for \$160 - Claim 1584.

Houle, Baptiste; address: Laurette, North Dakota; claim no. 547; born: 1873 at Fort Qu'Appelle; father: Alexander Houle (Métis); mother: Marguerite Davis (Métis); scrip cert.: form C, no. 310.

⁴² Jacques Bonhomme Hamelin; born 15 January 1797; married Mary Allary, daughter of (---) Allary and Charlotte -, before 1823; died 27 October 1856 at age 59; buried 28 October 1856 Assumption, Pembina.

Houle (Kole), André (b. 1854)

Three Houle brothers from St. François Xavier signed the Cypress Hills petition:

- Andre
- François, and
- Calixte

Andre Houle was born on September 4, 1854 at St. François Xavier, the son of François Houle (b. 1805) and Marguerite Gariépy. He married Leonille Pelletier the daughter of Alphonse Pelletier and Madeleine Desjarlais in 1882 at Milk River, Montana.

Houle, Andre; address: Maple Creek; claim no. 50; born: 1850 at St. François Xavier; father: François Houle (Métis); mother: Josephite Gariépy (Métis); married: 1882 at Milk River to Leonide Pelletier; children deceased: 1, not named; scrip for \$240.00.

Houle (Kole), Calice (Calixte). (b. 1861)

Calixte Houle was born on March 16, 1861, the son of François Houle (b. 1805) and Marguerite Gariépy.

Houle (Kole), François. (b. 1842)

François Houle was born on March 17, 1842 at St. François Xavier, the son of François Houle (b. 1805) and Marguerite Gariépy.

Houle, Josephite. (b. 1849)

Josephite was born on September 1, 1849 at St. François Xavier, the daughter of François Houle (b. 1805) and Marguerite Gariépy. Josephite married Celestin St. Denis, the son of Jacques St. Deni and Genevieve Durant in 1872 at St. Laurent Sk.

Houle, Magdeleine. (b. 1825)

Magdeleine was born at St. Clément's, the daughter of Antoine Houle (b. 1799) and Marguerite (Saulteaux). Magdeleine married Jean Baptiste Ducharme, the son of Nicolas Ducharme dit Charon and Charlotte (Saulteaux).

Houle, Therese Elizabeth. (b. 1805)

Therese was the daughter of Antoine Houle (b. 1781) and Josephite Lauzon. Therese married Joseph Ouellette, the son of Joseph Ouellette and Angelique (Assiniboine). Her sons, Antoine (b. 1834), Jean Baptiste (b. 1837), and Joseph Jr. (b. 1824) all signed this petition.

Hughes, Elise (Eliza).

Elise was the daughter of Samuel Hughes and Marguerite Desjarlais. Elise married François Lafontaine, the son of Jean Baptiste Lafontaine (b. 1825) and Françoise Martin in 1868 at St. François Xavier. They had eight children born variously at Poplar Point, Qu'Appelle, Cypress Hills, Teton River, Montana, Touchwood Hills and Lebret.

Jeannotte, Marie. (b. 1847)

Marie was born at St. François Xavier, the daughter of François Jeannotte (b. 1812) and Pierre Falcon's daughter, Madeleine Falcon. Marie married Alexandre McGillis, the son of Alexandre McGillis and Marguerite Bottineau in 1865 at St. François Xavier. She died in 1906 at Willow Bunch.

Jerome, Eise. (b. 1843)

Elise was born on June 15, 1843 at St. Norbert, the daughter of Martin Jerome (b. 1800) and Elizabeth Wilkie. Elise married Maxime Marion (b. 1838), the son of François Marion and Angelique Deschamps dite Moreau, in 1862 at Pembina.

Jolibois, Baptiste "Mash-koo-pee-meesh". (b. 1851)

Baptiste "Mash-koo-pee-meesh" Jolibois was born on July 20, 1851, the son of Jean Baptiste Jolibois and Marguerite Robillard. Baptiste, his wife Marie Matilde Landry and six children appear on the Turtle Mountain Band census of 1892. Marie was the daughter of Louis Landry (b. 1830) and Louise Ouellette. Louise Ouellette was the daughter of Joseph Ouellette and Therese Houle.

Kieise, Joseph. – See Caisse.

Kipling, Nancy. (b.c. 1810)

Nancy was born at Red River, the daughter of John Ram Kipling (b.c. 1775) and Margaret Okanese. She was first married to Michel Gravelle and then married to Alexis Labombarde. Her daughter Domitilde Gravelle was married to Jean Baptiste Dumont at Batoche.

Alexis and Nancy lived along the upper Missouri River where Alexis worked as a hunter, guide, and interpreter for the Sioux and Blackfoot. The American Fur Company at Fort Union and Fort Pierre employed him as a labourer. He was also employed by John Jacob Audubon's Expedition and was an interpreter for the Blackfoot Agency in Montana.

Klyne, André. (1840-1904)

Andre Klyne was born at Point Douglas, the son of Michael Klyne Sr. and Madeleine Millet dit Beauchemin. He married Elise Desjarlais, the daughter of Antoine Desjarlais dit Morel and Louise Vallee at St. Joseph's. They had 11 children born at St. Joseph's, Devils Lake, Wood Mountain, Lebret and File Hills. Andrew Klyne was at one time a band member of Cowessess Band.

Klyne, Michel (b. 1839)

Michael Klyne was born at St. François Xavier, the son of Michael Klyne Sr. and Madeleine Millet dit Beauchemin. He married Helene Davis the daughter of Jean Baptiste Davis and Julie Desnominé. They had six children at Devil's Lake, St. Joseph's, Wood Mountain and Lebret. He then married Marie Vallee at Lebret in 1876.

Many of the families who signed this petition, "such as the families of Norbert Welsh, Roderick Ross, Cuthbert St. Denis and Michel Klyne established permanent homes near the Catholic Mission at Lebret."⁴³

Kole : See Houle.

Labombarde, Alexis. (b. 1803)

In 1835, at Red River Alexis married 25-year-old Nancy Kipling, the widow of Michel Gravel. Her daughter Domitilde Gravel was married to Jean Baptiste Dumont at Batoche. Baptiste and his father Jean "Petit" Dumont were both active in the 1885 Resistance. Alexis and Nancy lived along the upper Missouri River where Alexis worked as a hunter, guide, and interpreter for the Sioux and Blackfoot. The American Fur Company at Fort Union and Fort Pierre employed him as a labourer. He was also employed by John Jacob Audubon's Expedition and was an interpreter for the Blackfoot Agency in Montana.⁴⁴ Elie Gariépy remembered Labombarde as a "large dark man [who] wore his hair long and usually dressed in buckskin."⁴⁵

Alexis Labombarde worked as Father Alexis Andre's interpreter when he was mediating between the Sioux and the US government in 1862-63. He had witnessed the Cypress Hills Massacre and later served as an interpreter for

the N.W.M.P. at Cypress Hills.⁴⁶ In 1877, Alexis Labombarde was working with Farwell and associates, including James Marshall, Andrew Peterson, Kerr, Gary Bourke and Philander Vogle, out of Fort Benson into Canada.

Alexis was arrested on May 19, 1885 Regina on August 14, 1885 received a conditional discharge for his part in the 1885 Resistance. He was 82 years of age at that time. Resistance participants remember Cayenne *dit* Labombarde as Riel's interpreter for he spoke fifteen Indian dialects. He was blind in one eye in 1885.

In his testimony of August 13, 1885 at the Regina trial Father Alexis Andre says:

Alexis Labombarde is a poor, old almost blind man. He has a wife but no children, eighty-two years of age. I have known him for twenty-five years past. I was sent by the Government as a commissioner to the Sioux in 1862, during the massacre, and this old man was my interpreter at the time. I found him honest, trusty and reliable. He has been acting as an interpreter the greater part of his life, and he is now accused of acting in that capacity between Riel and the Sioux. He did so without any evil intent, and without any idea that he was doing wrong. I know myself that he told the Sioux to be moderate and not to kill; this I know from the Sioux themselves who told me. Now, to punish this old man for acting as an interpreter would be just about as just as to punish a telephone for carrying sound. I do not think the Government of Canada will advance her own glory or the interests of the Dominion by going to the cradle to find criminals, or on the verge of the grave to find victims. (CSP, 1886, Vol. 13, p. 384).

Labuler dit Lafournaise, Cecile. (b. 1854)

Cecile was born on February 5, 1854, at Pembina, the daughter of Jean Baptiste Lafournaise (b. 1815) and Marguerite Gosselin. She married Theodore Maxime Poitras (b. 1839), the son of Pierre Poitras and Marie Bruyere.

Labuler dit Lafournaise, Jérôme (1847-1903)

Jerome was born in 1847, the son of Jean Baptiste Lafournaise and Marguerite Gosselin. He married Priscilla Wells the daughter of Edouard Wills and Isabelle McGillis. This buffalo hunting family had children born across the prai-

⁴³ Sherry Farrell Racette, "Sewing Ourselves Together: Clothing, Decorative Arts and the Expression of Métis and Half Breed Identity." Winnipeg, University of Manitoba, Ph. D. dissertation, 2004: 58.

⁴⁴ Sherry Farrell Racette. Op. cit.: 51, 179.

⁴⁵ Ibid. 180.

⁴⁶ Douglas W. Light, *Footprints in the Dust*. North Battleford: Turner-Warwick Publications Inc., 1987: 514.

ries at Duhamel, Cypress Hills, Red Ochre Hills, St. Laurent, and Wood Mountain. Pricilla's mother, father and four brothers were also part of this hunting brigade. Jerome died on September 16, 1903 at Duhamel.

Labruler dit Lafournaise, Marguerite.

Marguerite was the daughter of Gabriel Lafournaise and Susanne Collin. She married Elie Parenteau, the son of Joseph Parenteau and Suzanne Daigneault. She was his third wife. They had six children born variously at Lewistown, Wood Mountain, Big Timber and Cypress Hills.

Labruler dit Lafournaise, Maxime. (b. 1860)

Maxime Lafournaise dit Laboucane was born on January 30, 1860 at St. Norbert, the son of Gabriel Lafournaise dit Laboucane (b. 1834) and Susanne Collin. He died on July 3, 1885 at Rivière aux Rose.

Labruler dit Lafournaise, Napoléon (b. 1861)

Napoleon Lafournaise was born on the plains in 1861, the son of Joseph Lafournaise (b. 1837) and Madeleine Poitras. He married Marie Therese McGillis, the daughter of Angus McGillis and Isabelle Fagnant in 1881 at St. François Xavier. They had eight children all born at Willow Bunch.

Lafournaise, Napoleon - Concerning his claim as a child - Address, Willow Bunch - Born, 1861 on the Plains - Father, Joseph Lafournaise, (Métis) - Mother, Madeleine Poitras, (Métis) - Married, 1881 at St. Boniface to Marie McGillis - Children living, three, Marie born 1883, Eliza born 1884 and Josephine born 1885- Scrip for \$240 - Claim 1631

Labruler dit Lafournaise, Pierre. (b. 1859)

Pierre Lafournaise was born on May 6, 1859 at Fort Ellice, the son of Jean Baptiste Lafournaise and Marguerite Gosselin. He married Rose Marie Ross, the daughter of John Ross and Marie Rose Grant.

Scrip affidavit for Lafournaise, St. Pierre; born: May 6, 1859; father: Baptiste Lafournaise; mother: Margaret Gosselin.

Ross, Marie Rose; address: Battle River Settlement; born: July, 1861 at Qu'Appelle Valley; father: Johnny Ross (Métis); mother: Margaret Grant (Métis); married: 8 November, 1880 at Duck Lake to St. Pierre Lafournaise; children living: Marie St. Anne, Jerome, Alfred and

George; children deceased: Jean Baptiste; scrip for \$240.00; claim no. 152.

Labruler dit Lafournaise, William. (b. 1840)

Guillaume Lafournaise was the older brother of Jerome a son of Jean Baptiste Lafournaise and Marguerite Gosselin. He married Caroline Gariepy, the daughter of François Gariepy and Helene Poitras. They lived at Lebret and Duck Lake. In 1878, William and other Métis buffalo hunters at Cypress Hills wrote a petition asking for a special Métis reserve of land.

Lafontaine, Antoine dit Failant. (1849-1889)

Antoine was the son of Calixte Sr. and Charlotte Adam. He was born at St. François Xavier and it was there that he married Madeleine Ross and in 1871 married Marie Delorme at Lebret. In 1878, Antoine and other Métis buffalo hunters at Cypress Hills wrote a petition asking for a special Métis reserve of land. Typical of buffalo hunting families Antoine and Madeleine had children born at Saskatoon, Wood Mountain, Cypress Hills and Crooked Lake. They were living at Saint Laurent at the time of the Resistance. He was one of the fighters at Tourond's Coulee and at Batoche. He was a Captain of one of the 19 companies led by Gabriel Dumont during the 1885 Métis Resistance at Batoche.

Antoine Lafontaine noted in 1901: I was married at St. François Xavier about thirty-nine years ago [1862]. I had been 'tripping' in the west. . . . I lived in Manitoba in the winter and hunted in the summer. I settled permanently at Oak Lake about twenty years ago [1880-81] and have lived there ever since. . . I resided at Grande Clairière and Oak Lake twenty-two years. Before that on the Prairies. I left St. François Xavier in 1870. . . . I moved to Cypress Hill around twenty-nine years ago (1872). I have always moved about the prairie. I moved to Hartney fifteen years ago [1885-86] and have lived there ever since.⁴⁷ His wife Philomene Jannot noted in 1901 that she had lived in St. François Xavier with her parents until she married Antoine Lafontaine in 1862. Following her marriage, she noted, they immediately left for the west. The settled at Oak Lake in 1881. The birth and death places of her 13 children read like a travelogue of the Buffalo plains.⁴⁸ The trajectory of Calixte

⁴⁷ Various affidavits of Antoine Lafontaine to support the scrip applications of his deceased children in 1900-01. NA, RG 15, D-II-8-c, Vol. 1353.

⁴⁸ Ibid., Affidavits of Philomene Lafontaine for the scrip applications of her deceased children.

Lafontaine and his family, who settled at Oak Lake between 1877 and 1880, is somewhat different. Calixte, though a plains hunter, retained a residence in St. François Xavier until he sold his river lot in 1877. He then moved to the plains settling at Oak Lake with his large family shortly thereafter. They did not remain long, however, moving to Batoche between 1882 and 1884. After the fighting at Batoche, they escaped to the Métis encampment at Sioux Valley then moved south to Turtle Mountain.

Lafontaine, François (b. 1847)

François was one of the Métis at Fort Walsh who submitted a petition, on behalf of the Métis of the four districts of Assiniboia to join Treaty 4, on September 7, 1876.

François Ka-Ka-Keese Lafontaine was born in 1847, the son of Jean Baptiste Lafontaine and Françoise Martin. He was step-brother to Louis Lafontaine. He married Elise Hughes the daughter of Samuel Hughes and Marguerite Desjarlais in 1868 at St. François Xavier. This buffalo hunting family had children born across the prairies at Qu'Appelle, Cypress Hills, Teton River, Touchwood Hills and Lebret. François initially took treaty with Muscowequan but withdrew in 1886.

Lafontaine, Gaspard (b. 1867)

Gaspard was the son of Antoine Lafontaine Jr. (b. 1844) and Philomène Vestro dit Jannot (b. 1843). Philomène was the daughter of François Jeannotte and Madeleine Falcon. Antoine Jr. was the son of Antoine Lafontaine Sr. (b. 1820) and Angelique Gariépy, (b. 1822).

Scrip affidavit for Lafontaine, Antoine; born: Summer 1844; father: Antoine Lafontaine (Métis); mother: Angelique Gariépy (Métis); claim no: 3001; scrip no: 12563; date of issue: November 10, 1879; amount: \$160.

Lafontaine, Louis. (1842-1939)

Louis, also known as Mar-yarm-mons and Moshom Wiizoon was the son of Jean Baptiste Lafontaine and Françoise Martin. He was married to Marie Madeleine Pelletier c. 1867 then Emelie Desjarlais (Kookum Siinpiins) sometime after 1889. Like most buffalo hunters he and his first wife had 10 children born at Qu'Appelle, Lebret, Cypress Hills, Wood Mountain and Batoche. In 1878, Louis and other Métis buffalo hunters at Cypress Hills wrote a petition asking for a special Métis reserve of land.

In the 1880s when the buffalo had disappeared, Louis attended the Crooked Lake Agency and tried to get rations with the other Métis and Chippewa-Cree at Cowessess Reserve but was told that he did not belong.

In 1885 he was living at Batoche. He was a member of Captain Ambroise Champagne's company, one of the 19 *dizaines* led by Gabriel Dumont during the 1885 Métis Resistance at Batoche. After the fighting at Batoche the family moved to Turtle Mountain Reservation.⁴⁹ Louis and his first wife Madeleine appear on the Turtle Mountain Band Census in 1886. Louis and his wife Emelie are on the Turtle Mountain Band Census' 1890-92. Louis had three children with Emelie Desjarlais.

In 1902, Louison Lafontaine and a number of other Métis applied to be admitted to Treaty at Cowessess Band through the Crooked Lake Agency. In the family he listed his wife, daughters ages 14, 12 and nine and a son age 5. He said his wife used to take Treaty 23 years ago. This application was turned down.

He died at Turtle Mountain on April 11, 1939. His grandson, Louis F. Lafontaine served on the Turtle Mountain Tribal Council from 1959 to 1961.

Lafontaine, Napoléon (b. 1862)

Probably the son of Antoine Lafontaine Jr. (b. 1844) and Philomène Vestro dit Jannot (b. 1843). He would then be the brother of Gaspard Lafontaine noted above.

Lafournaise dit Labruler: See Labruler.

Lafournaise, Jérôme (1847-1903)

Jerome was born in 1847, the son of Jean Baptiste Lafournaise and Marguerite Gosselin. He married Priscilla Wells the daughter of Edouard Wills and Isabelle McGillis. This buffalo hunting family had children born across the prairies at Duhamel, Cypress Hills, Red Ochre Hills, St. Laurent, and Wood Mountain. He was one the Half-Breeds living in the vicinity of Cypress Hills who petitioned the government in 1878 for their own reserve. This is a petition requested a re-opening of the buffalo hunt between November 14th and February 15th each year and the granting of Métis "reserve" land.

Lafournaise, William. (b. 1840)

⁴⁹ Gail Morin. *Turtle Mountain Chippewa, Pembina Band; Annuity Payments and Census*. Quinton Publications, n.d. p. 51.

Guillaume Lafournaise was the older brother of Jerome a son of Jean Baptiste Lafournaise and Marguerite Gosselin. He married Caroline Gariépy, the daughter of François Gariépy and Helene Poitras. They lived at Lebret and Duck Lake. In 1878, William and other Métis buffalo hunters at Cypress Hills wrote a petition asking for a special Métis reserve of land.

Laframboise, Angelique. (b. 1830)

Angelique was born on January 1, 1830, the daughter of Jean Baptiste Laframboise and Suzanne Beaudry or Gaudry. Angelique married Antoine Trottier (b. 1834), the son of Andre Trottier and Marguerite Paquette dite St. Denis.

Laframboise, Augustin. (1844-1885)

The Laframboise family are descendants of trader Joseph Laframboise, born in 1776 at Mackinac and his wife Josephite who was an Assiniboine woman.

In 1880, Augustin appears on the Treaty pay list of the Carlton Stragglers. His wife was Band Member # 27 on the Treaty Pay list of the Petequakey Band at Muskeg Lake in 1884.⁵⁰ His sister Ursule was married to Charles Trottier and his brother Jean Baptiste appears below. His aunt Louise Laframboise was married to Isidore Dumont.

Auguste was born at Red River, the son of Jean Baptiste Laframboise and Suzanne Beaudry (Gaudry). He married Louise Ledoux (b. 1844), the daughter of Eusebe Ledoux (b. 1815) and Louise Desjarlais (b. 1824). They settled near Duck Lake, having moved from St. François Xavier. Their sons Edouard and Daniel also signed this petition. Augustin's sister Ursula was married to Charles Trottier the leader of the Prairie Ronde Métis community. In 1878, Auguste and other Métis buffalo hunters at Cypress Hills wrote a petition asking for a special Métis reserve of land. He was a Captain of one of the 19 companies led by Gabriel Dumont during the 1885 Métis Resistance. His eldest son Edouard served in his Company. Augustin, also called "Eustache", was involved in the 1885 Resistance at Duck Lake with Dumont and was killed there by Crozier's troops on March 26, 1885. His wife and ten children survived him.

Laframboise, Catherine. (b. 1864)

Catherine was born on the White Mud River, the daughter of Jean Baptiste Laframboise (b. 1834) and Elise Thomas. Catherine married Al-

exandre Trottier (b. 1864), the son of Michel Trottier and Angelique Desjarlais in 1884 at Maple Creek.

Laframboise, Daniel. (b. 1868)

Daniel was born in Lizard Hills, the son of Augustin Laframboise and Louise Ledoux. Daniel married Marceline (Saulteaux b. 1875) in 1891 at St. Laurent. Daniel took discharge from the Petequakey Band on October 13, 1886. In 1878, Daniel and other Métis buffalo hunters at Cypress Hills wrote a petition asking for a special Métis reserve of land.

Laframboise, Edouard. (b. 1864)

Edouard was the son of Augustin Laframboise (b. 1844) and Louise Ledoux (b. 1844). Edouard married Marie Virginie Dumont at Duck Lake and they had five children. Marie Dumont was the daughter of Isidore Dumont and Judith Parenteau. Her father also signed this petition. Edouard subsequently married Flavie Ledoux (b. 1871) in 1896 at Duck Lake. They had one daughter. Edouard took discharge from the Petequakey Band on October 13, 1886.

Laframboise, Jean Baptiste (b. 1845)

Jean Baptiste was born on the Souris River, 100 miles south of Brandon, the son of Jean Baptiste Laframboise (b. 1806) and Suzanne Beaudry (Gaudry, b. 1809). He married Elise Thomas (b. 1844) the daughter of Joseph Thomas (listed later) and Marie Adele Wakitipik (Michel). Elise's sister Catherine Thomas was married to Alex Trottier and her sister LaLouise was married to David Boyer (listed above). Her brothers Bernard Thomas (b. 1859) and Joseph Thomas (b. 1840) also signed this petition. They were all members of Cowessess Band and left Treaty in 1886.

Typical of buffalo hunting families they had children born across the prairies, at St. Peter's Mission, Lebret, St. Laurent, Maple Creek, Medicine Hat and Willow Bunch.

In the Canada Census of 1881 Jean Baptiste and Elise are recorded living at Cypress Hills in Household # 45. With them are children: Catherine (14), Madeleine (12), Alexandre (10), Marie (9), LaRose (7) and Julie (5).

Laframboise, Ursule. (b. 1843)

Ursule was the daughter of Jean Baptiste Laframboise (b. 1806) and Suzanne Beaudry or Gaudry (b. 1802). Ursule married Charles Trottier (b. 1839), the son of Andre Trottier and Mar-

⁵⁰ RG 10, Annuity Pay lists, 1883-1887. Treaties 4, 6 and 7.

guerite Paquette dite St. Denis, in 1860 at St. François Xavier.

Laframboise, William. (b. 1853)

William Laframboise was born in March of 1853, the son of François Laframboise (b. 1827) and Marie Trottier (b. 1831). He married Marie Rose Wells (Welsh) b. 1861 at Pembina, the daughter of Edouard Wells and Isabelle McGillis, then married Catherine Berger, the daughter of Pierre Berger and Judith Wilkie. In the 1881 Canada Census this family is recorded as Household # 53 in the Cypress Hills. With them are children, François Xavier (4) and Joseph (2). His father, François Laframboise is listed as Household # 54.

Lambert, Jane. (b. 1832)

Jane was the daughter of Etienne Lambert (b. 1785) and Catherine Gaddy (daughter of James Gaddy and Mary (Piegan). Jane married Peter Fiddler the son of Charles Fidler and Ann Saunders at Headingley in 1870.

Lambert, Sarah. (b. 1846)

Sarah was born on January 8, 1846, the daughter of Joseph Lambert (b. 1826) and Louise Villebrun. Sarah married Little Shell Band member Leonard "Parkah-harh-quon" McKay, born on September 20, 1847. Leonard McKay was the son of William McKay and Susanne Versailles They married in 1868 at St. Norbert.

Landry, Angelique. (b. 1827)

Angelique was born on December 31, 1827 at St. Vital, the daughter of Joseph Landry (b. 1795) and Genevieve Lalond. Angelique was first married to Martin Jerome in 1848. She then married Isidore Dumont Sr., the son of Jean Dumont and Josephthe (Sarcee) in 1867 at St. Norbert.

Landry, Marguerite.

Marguerite was married to Michel Trottier (b. 1831, sometime before 1877. She was his second wife, he previously married Angelique Desjarlais. Marguerite and Michel had two children both born on the Crooked Lake Reserve. Elzear, born January 7, 1877 and Isidore born in 1880. both children died at Qu'Appelle Residential School

Landry, Marie. (b. 1853)

Marie was the daughter of Louis Landry (b. 1830) and Louise Ouellette. Louise Ouellette was the daughter of Joseph Ouellette and Therese Houle.

Marie married Jean Baptiste Jolibois. Baptiste was born on July 20, 1851, the son of Jean Baptiste Jolibois and Marguerite Robillard. Baptiste, his wife Marie Matilde Landry and six children appear on the Turtle Mountain Band census of 1892.

Landry, Marie. (b. 1859)

Marie was the daughter of Pierre Landry (b.c. 1831) and Madeleine Chadron. She married Jean Baptiste Sparvie. They lived at Cowessess Reserve.

Langé (Langer), Jean Baptiste. (1855-1930)

Jean Baptiste Langer was the son of Antoine Langer (b. 1832)⁵¹ and Louise Collin. Langers grandfather Jean Baptiste Collins appears on "List of Persons to Whom Scrip was issued under Red Lake & Pembina Treaties..." Halfbreed Scrip No. 257 issued December 20, 1873. Jean Baptiste appears on the same list and receives Halfbreed Scrip No. 446 issued January 6, 1876. Jean Baptiste's grandfather, Baptiste Langer was with Cuthbert Grant at the Battle of Seven Oaks.

Jean married Justine Malaterre (b. 1855), the daughter of Alexis Malaterre and Marguerite Ward at Lebret in 1876. He was a member of the Turtle Mountain Band. In the 1881 Canada Census Jean Baptiste and Justine are recorded as household #2 in Cypress Hills. Living with them are their two children Jean Baptiste Jr. age 4, and Justine (one month) as well as Moise St. Denis (age 29) and Moise Dasi (age 19).

Lantigras (Lattergrass), Pierre.

Pierre is likely a descendant of Akewenen Lattergrass who was married to Isabelle Kipling. Marguerite Lattergrass, the daughter of Akewenin Lattergrass and Isabelle Kipling, later married Patrice Ouelette (Walette) born 1860 who was a signatory to this petition.⁵²

LaPierre, Ambroise. (b. 1855)

Ambroise La Pierre was the son of Antoine LaPierre and Catherine Gagnon. This family appears on the Pembina Census of 1850. Am-

⁵¹ Antoine Langer appears on the Pembina Annuity Roll, Way ke ge ke zhick's Band, for 1868.

⁵² Ouellette, Marguerite; address: Battlefor born: 1855 at Baie St. Paul, Man; father: Akewenin Laterregresse (Métis); mother: Isabelle Kipling or Kapewashik (Métis); married: 1886 at Battleford to Patrice Ouellette; lived with an Indian before marriage; children living: Jean Marie (Indian husband); children deceased: 4; scrip for \$240.00; claim no. 896.

broise married Adelaide Rocheblave, the daughter of Thomas Rocheblav and Therese Desmarais in 1879 at St. Peter's Mission, Montana.

Lapierre, Euphrasine (b. 1859)

Euphrasine was the daughter of Antoine Lapierre and Louise Machkegone. She married Louis Malaterre (b. 1834) the son of Jean Baptiste Malaterre (b. 1781) and Angelique Adam. They were Turtle Mountain Band members who later moved to Montana.

LaPierre, Moïse. (b. 1848)

Moise La Pierre was the son of Antoine LaPierre (b. 1813) and Catherine Gagnon (b. 1821). This family appears on the Pembina Census of 1850. Moise married Angelique Parenteau, the daughter of Joseph Parenteau and Suzanne "Cris" Richard in 1871 at Duck Lake. Her brother Joseph Dodet Parenteau along with Gabriel Dumont was part of the original 1871 governing committee of St. Laurent on the South Saskatchewan River.

Moise and his family appear on the Turtle Mountain Band Census from 1884 to 1892.

Laplante, Adelaide. (b. 1855)

Adelaide was born on August 30, 1855 at St. François Xavier, the daughter of Jean Baptiste Laplante (b. 1809) and Madeleine Desfonds. She married Casimir Bouvier. Casimir "Was-sarh-kaish" Bouvier was born at St. François Xavier on February 13, 1848, the son of Antoine Bouvier and Genevieve Breland. He married Adelaide "Deliah" Laplante, the daughter of Jean Baptiste Laplante and Madeleine Dufont or Desfonds on November 22, 1870 at St. François Xavier. Casimir, known in Chippewa as Was-sarh-kaish, his wife Deliah and their eight children appear on the Turtle Mountain Band census for 1889. He was struck from the Turtle Mountain roll during the 1892 membership controversy. Casimir and his brother Antoine eventually moved to San Clara, Manitoba.⁵³

Laplante, Antoine. (b. 1842)

Antoine was born in September of 1842, the son of Antoine Laplante and Josephte Gagnon. He listed himself as a plains trader.

Laplante, Oliver. (b. 1829)

A Pembina resident, Oliver was the son of Louis Laplante and Josephte LaPierre.

Larence, Josephte. (b. 1853)

Josephte Larence was born in St. Vital, the daughter of Basil Larence (b. 1795) and Agathe Callihoo. She married Jean Baptiste Dubois Jr., the son of Jean Baptiste Dubois and Marie Ann Laberge in 1870 at St. Norbert.

Larivez, Paul. (b. 1865)

Paul Desrivieres was born on April 4, 1865 at St. François Xavier, the son of Louis Lariviere and Marie Lambert (b. 1828).

Larocque, Elise. (b. 1860)

Elise was the daughter of Louis Larocque (b. 1820) and Marie Berthelet (b. 1822). She married Norbert Dubois, born at Fort Alexandre in 1857, the son of Jean Baptiste Dubois and Marie Ann Laberge.

Latergrass, Nancy. (b.c. 1845)

Nancy was the daughter of Jean Baptiste Latergrass "Wabikiniw" (b. 1819) and Nancy Daniel. She married Leon Laverdure the son of Joseph Laverdure and Therese Villbrun.

Lavallée, Pierre (b. 1849)

Pierre Lavallee was born on August 8, 1849 at St. François Xavier, the son of Pierre Lavallee and Marguerite Bercier. He married Josephte Henault, the daughter of Antoine Henault and Catherine Davis on November 28, 1870 at Le-bret.

Laverdure, David Jr. (b. 1860)

The four Laverdure's listed here as signatories to the petition were all either first or second cousins.

David Laverdure was born on April 16, 1860, the son of Joseph Laverdure⁵⁴ and Marie Martel. The family appears on the Pembina Census of 1850. David married Elise Laframboise,

Laverdure, Elize. (b. 1849)

Elise was born on October 17, 1849, the daughter of Joseph Laverdure (b. 1804) and Therese Villebrun. Louise married Jean Baptiste Champagne, the son of Emmanuel Champagne and Marguerite Larocque.

Baptiste was a councillor for Chief Little Shell. He first married Isabelle Parisien, the daughter of Jean Baptiste Parisien and Charlotte Nolin on March 10, 1856. Baptiste and Isabelle had five children, born at St. Joseph, Lebret and

⁵³ Personal communication with Lionel Bouvier, September 11, 2010.

Devil's Lake. He then married Elize Laverdure, the daughter of Joseph Laverdure and Therese Villebrun. Baptiste and Elize had nine children, born at SFX, Cypress Hills, Lebret and Wood Mountain. He then married Madeleine Vallee in 1884.

A Turtle Mountain Band member, Baptiste, his wife Madeleine Vallee and their five children⁵⁵ (from his marriage to Elize Laverdure) appear on the Turtle Mountain Band census from 1884 to 1892.

Laverdure, Louise. (b. 1830)

Louise was the daughter of Joseph Laverdure (b. 1786) and Nancy Maskegonne Duck in 1857 at St. François Xavier. Louise married John Swain in 1857 at St. François Xavier. John Swain was born in 1829 at Lake Manitoba, the son of James Swain (b. 1808) and Joseph Des-coteaux.

Laverdure, Léon. (b. 1844)

Leon Laverdure was born at Pembina Mountain, the son of Joseph Laverdure and Therese Villebrun dit Plouffe. He married Nancy Latergrass, the daughter of Jean Baptiste Lattergrass and Nancy Daniel before 1871.

Laverdure, Narcisse. (b. 1850)

Baptiste Laverdure⁵⁶ was born on June 15, 1850 at Pembina, the son of Pierre Laverdure (b. 1819) and Catherine Charette. He married Marie Anne Azure, the daughter of Charles Azure and Nancy Grant in 1871 at St. Joseph's. The couple had seven children.

Laverdure, Baptiste; address: St. Peter's Mission, Montana; claim no. 1367; born: 1845 near Pembina; father: Pierre Laverdure (Métis); mother: Catherine Charrette (Métis); file ref. 947475.

Laverdure, St. Pierre "Ah-zhow-e-ge-shig." (b. 1860)

St. Pierre was born at Little Rocky Mountains, the son of Joseph Laverdure and Marie Martel. He married Veronique Ross, the daughter of Charles Ross and Marguerite Allard, and then married Eliza Primeau, the daughter of

Jeremie Primeau and Marguerite Allard. This family appears in the Turtle Mountain Band census. He signed the 1892 McCumber Agreement.

Laverdure, Suzanne. (b.c. 1820)

Suzanne was the daughter of Alexis Laverdure and Angelique "Kisi-kawpskup" Montour. She married Joseph Poitras, the son of Andre Poitras and Cuthbert Grant's sister Marguerite Grant circa 1832.

La Maire : See Lemire

Laviolette, Cecile. (b. 1850)

Cecile was born on November 29, 1850, at St. François Xavier, the daughter of Charles Laviolette (b. 1794) and Therese Moreau. She married Cuthbert St. Denis, the son of François St. Denis and Sophia Lyons in 1867 at St. François Xavier.

Ledoux, Daniel. (b. 1848)

Daniel was one of the Métis at Fort Walsh who submitted a petition, on behalf of the Métis of the four districts of Assiniboia to join Treaty 4, on September 7, 1876. Daniel Ledoux was the son of Eusebe Ledoux and Louise Desjarlais. Daniel's grandfather was Jean Baptiste Ledoux who appears on "List of Persons to Whom Scrip was issued under Red Lake & Pembina Treaties..." Halfbreed Scrip No. 194 issued July 7, 1873.

Daniel married Elise Mary Wills, the daughter of John Wills and Mary McKay in 1869 at St. François Xavier. His father, Eusebe Ledoux had worked for Antoine Desjarlais at Fort Desjarlais in the Souris River Valley in the 1840-50s.

L'édoux (Ledoux), Napoléon.

Napoleon was the son of Eusebe Ledoux and Louise Desjarlais. He married Caroline Roussin in 1875.

Ledoux, Pierre. (b. 1861)

Pierre was born on October 22, 1861 the son of Eusebe Ledoux and Louise Desjarlais. He married Helene Poitras, the daughter of Ignace Poitras and Helene McGillis in 1881 at Batoche.

Ledoux, Victoria. (b. 1855)

Victoria was the daughter of Jean Baptiste Ledoux (b. 1830) and Marguerite Breland. She married Cleophas "Wallace" Ducharme, the son of Jean Baptiste Ducharme and Magdeleine Houle in 1874 at Duck Lake.

⁵⁵ Louis (b. 1871), Sarah (b. 1873), Jean (b. 1874), Elise (b. 1874) and Therese (b. 1880); all born at Cypress Hills.

⁵⁶ His brother Xavier Laverdure (b. 1843) appears on "List of Persons to Whom Scrip was Issued under Red Lake & Pembina Treaties..." Halfbreed Scrip No. 455 issued July 26 1876. Xavier is also on the annuity roll of Way-ke-ge-ke-zhick's Band in 1868 as family #185 and on the Pembina County Census of 1850 as family #108.

Lefort, Marie. (b. 1852)

Marie was the daughter of François Tous-saint Lefort and Eliza Laplante. She married William Ross, the son of Donald Ross and Cath-erine Delorme in 1870 at St. François Xavier.

Lemire, Eliza (b. c. 1829)

Eliza was the eldest daughter of Joseph Lemire (b.c. 1811) and Julie Martin. She married Alexander Gaddy Sr. who was member of the Cowessess Band; he was a farmer on the reserve, and a former Headman of the band. In the 1870s he was hired as an interpreter for Cowessess Band. Alexandre was first married to Margaret Kennedy (Métis) and then to Eliza Lemire (Métis). A number of her brothers were part of the Cypress Hills hunting brigade and signed the 1878 petition for a reserve. Alexander had five children: Mary (b. 1854), Margaret (b. 1857), William (b. 1861), Jane (b. 1863) and Alexander James (b. 1866). The Gaddy (Gaddie) family eventually took treaty and lived on the Cow-essess Reserve on Crooked Lake.

Lemire (Le Mair), Chs. Pierre (b. 1860)

Charles Pierre Lemire was born on Decem-ber 28, 1860, the son of Pierre Jarvis Lemire (b. 1830) and Therese Pelletier members of Little Child (Cowessess) Band. He married Sara De-lorme in 1882 at Cypress Hills.

Lemire Jr., Pierre; address: Qu'Appelle; claim no. 1253; born: 1860 at St. François Xavier; father: Pierriche Lemire Sr. (Métis); mother: Thérèse Pelletier (Métis); mar-ried: 1882 at Cypress Hills to Sara De-lorme; scrip for \$240.00.

Lemire, François. (b. 1844)

François was born at St. François Xavier the son of Joseph Lemire and Julie Martin. He married Françoise Birston in 1865 at St. François Xavier. They had at least one child born at Cy-press Hills. He became a Band member of Mus-cowequan Band (# 14) but left treaty after 1885.

Lemire, François; address: Fort Qu'Appelle; claim no. 1197; born: 1844 at St. François Xavi-er; father: Joseph Lemire (Métis); mother: Julie Martin (Métis); married: 1865 at St. François Xavier to Françoise Birston; children living: Madeleine, Caroline; Melanie, Florestine, Jo-seph, Marie, Ernestine & Norman; children de-ceased: Philomene, St. Pierre; & unnamed; scrip for \$160.00.

Lemire, (Le Mair), Joseph. (b. 1833)

Joseph was one of the Métis at Fort Walsh who submitted a petition, on behalf of the Métis of the four districts of Assiniboia to join Treaty 4, on September 7, 1876. Joseph and his three brothers, Pierre (b. 1830), François (b. 1844), and Xavier (b. 1851) also signed this Cypress hills Métis petition.

Joseph was born at St. François Xavier cir-ca February 1833, the son of Joseph Lemire (b. 1811) and Julie Martin. The parents were mem-bers of Muscovequan Band before they left trea-ty. Joseph married Suzanne Lepine, the daughter of Jean Baptiste Lepine and Suzanne Gariepy in 1861 at St. François Xavier. He then married Clemence Boyer the daughter of Louis Boyer and Madeleine Trottier in 1868 at St. François Xavier.

He and Clemence had four children born at Qu'Appelle, Moose Jaw and Cypress Hills. Norbert Welsh was his brother-in-law as they had married Boyer sisters. Their daughter Made-leine, born June 10, 1869 at Qu'Appelle married Joseph Le Rat in 1888.

Children of Joseph and Suzanne:

- Adele, born March 1, 1852 at SFX. She married James John Hamelin, the son of Jonas Hamelin and Marie Daigneault, in 1882 on the Musselshell River.
- Jean Baptiste Jonas, born November 15, 1863 at SFX.
- Susanne, born December 29, 1866 at SFX, died September 1, 1867.

Children of Joseph and Clemence:

- Magdeleine, born July 10, 1869 at Qu'Appelle.
- William, born July 1870 at Lebrét.
- Victoire, born June 5, 1872 at Moose Jaw.
- Marie, born November 1883 at Cypress Hills.

Joseph was band member #48 of Little Child's Band. In 1886, Joseph, his wife, and three girls withdrew from Treaty.

Scrip Records:

Lemire, Joseph; address: Qu'Appelle; claim no. 1194; born: 1834 at St. François Xavier; father: Joseph Lemire (Métis); mother: Ju-lie Martin (Métis); married: in 1868 at St. François Xavier to Clemence Boyer and in 1862 at St. François Xavier to Susanne

Lepinee; children living: Madeleine, Victoire and Marie; children deceased: William, Adèle, unnamed, William, child by last wife; scrip for \$160.00.

Lemire, Clémence; for her minor daughter, Marie Lemire; claim no. 992; address: Qu'Appelle; born: Nov., 1883 at Cypress Hills; father: Joseph Lemire (Métis); mother: Clémence Boyer (Métis and deponent); scrip cert.: form C, no. 582.

Lemire, Madelaine; address: Qu'Appelle; claim no. 1196; born: 10 June, 1869 at Qu'Appelle; father: Joseph Lemire (Métis); mother: Clemence Boyer (Métis); married: July, 1886 at Qu'Appelle to Joseph LeRat; scrip for \$240.00.

Laframboise, Victoire; address: Havre, Montana; claim no. 993; born: 1872 at Moose Jaw; father: Joseph Lemire (Métis); mother: Clemence Boyer (Métis); scrip cert.: form C, no. 580.

Boyer, Clemence; address: Qu'Appelle; claim no. 1192; born: 1850 near Brandon; father: Louison Boyer (Métis); mother: Madeleine Trottier (Métis); married: 1868 at St. François Xavier to Joseph Lemire; children living: Madeleine, Victoire, and Marie; children deceased: William; scrip for \$ 160.00.

Lemire (Le Maire), Pierre Jarvis. (b. 1830)

Pierre is one of the Métis who signed the Cypress Hills. His three brothers, Joseph (b. 1833), François (b. 1844), and Xavier (b. 1851) also signed this petition.

Their last name is spelled in a variety of ways. Pierre was born near Fort Pelly, the son of Joseph Lemire and Julie Martin. In 1857 at St. François Xavier he married Therese Pelletier, the daughter of Charles Pelletier and Suzanne Bercier. Therese Pelletier had three brothers, Jean Baptiste (b. 1856), Edouard (b. 1836) and Cuthbert (b. 1846) who also signed this petition.

Pierre, Therese and their eight children took their annuity payments in 1877 at Cypress Hills as members of Little Child (Cowessess) Band. They had eight children born, typically for buffalo hunting families they were born at a variety of locations; at St. François Xavier, Long Lake, Moose Jaw, Poplar Point, Wood Mountain, Swift Current and Fort Walsh. Pierre LeMire took dis-

charge from the Muscowequan Band on April 28, 1886.

Their son Patrice Lemire, born November 26, 1869 at Wood Mountain, married Liza Buffalo Girl, the daughter of Chief Little Bear and Kis-Ka-Men "Gone to Sleep."

Scrip Records:

Lemire, Pierre; address: Qu'Appelle; claim no. 1221; born: 1830 near Fort Pelly; father: Joseph Lemire or Jowis (Métis); mother: Julie Martin (Métis); married: 1857 at St. François Xavier to Therese Pelletier; children living: Pierre, Cuthbert, François, Norbert, Patrice, Caroline, Florestine & Jean; scrip for \$160.00.

Lemire, Pierre; address: Qu'Appelle; claim no. 1221; born: 1830 near Fort Pelly; father: Joseph Lemire or Jowis (Métis); mother: Julie Martin (Métis); married: 1857 at St. François Xavier to Therese Pelletier; children living: Pierre, Cuthbert, François, Norbert, Patrice, Caroline, Florestine & Jean; scrip for \$160.00.

Pelletier, Therese; address: Qu'Appelle; born: 1835 at St. Boniface; father: Charles Pelletier (Métis); mother: Susanne Bercier (Métis); married: 1857 at St. François Xavier to Pierre Lemire; children living: Pierre Cuthbert, François, Norbert, Patrice, Caroline, Florestine and Jean; scrip for \$160.00; claim no. 1207.

Lemire, Norbert; address: Qu'Appelle; claim no. 1251; born: July, 1866 at Poplar Point; father: Pierre Lemire (Métis); mother: Therese Pelletier (Métis); scrip for \$240.00.

Lemire, Patrice; address: Qu'Appelle; claim no. 1254; born: Fall, 1867 at Wood Mountain; father: Pierre Lemire (Métis); mother: Therese Pelletier (Métis); scrip for \$240.00.

Lemire, François; address: Qu'Appelle; claim no. 1252; born: July, 1864 near Moose Jaw; father: Pierre Lemire (Métis); mother: Therese Pelletier (Métis); scrip for \$240.00.

Lemire Jr., Pierre; address: Qu'Appelle; claim no. 1253; born: 1860 at St. François

Xavier; father: Pierriche Lemire Sr. (Métis); mother: Thérèse Pelletier (Métis); married: 1882 at Cypress Hills to Sara Delorme; scrip for \$240.00.

Gladu, Florestine; address: Hill Post Office, Montana; claim no. 1342; born: 3 April, 1874 at Swift Current; father: Pierre Lemire (Métis); mother: Thérèse Pelletier (Métis); married: 1897 at Havre to Antoine Gladu; scrip cert.: form E, no. 3555.

Lemire, Cuthbert; address: Qu'Appelle; claim no. 1287; born: 1861 at St. François Xavier; father: Pierriche Lemire (Métis); mother: Thérèse Pelletier (Métis); married: 1882 at Wood Mountain to Louise Swain; children living: St. Pierre; children deceased: Joseph; scrip for \$240.00.

Lemire, Xavier. (b. 1851)

Xavier was born at Red River the son of Joseph Lemire and Julie Martin. He married Clemence Birston at Qu'Appelle. He became a Band member of Muscovequan Band (# 15) but left treaty after 1885.

Lemire, Xavier; heir to his deceased daughter, Philomene Lemir; claim no. 919; address: Swift Current; born: 1877 at Cypress Hills; died: about 4 months after birth; father: Xavier Lemire (Métis); mother: Clemence Berston (Métis).

Birston, Clemence; address: Fort Qu'Appelle; claim no. 1220; born: 1851 at St. François Xavier; father: William Gaddy Birston (Métis); mother: Madeleine Gonneville (Métis); married: 1871 at Qu'Appelle to Xavier Lemire; children living: 5; children deceased: 3; scrip for \$240.00.

Lepine, Suzanne. (b. 1840)

Suzanne was the daughter of Jean Baptiste Lepine and Suzanne Gariepy. She married Joseph Lemire, the son of Joseph Lemire and Julie Martin in 1861 at St. François Xavier. They had three children. She died on October 2, 1867 at St. François Xavier.

Joseph then married Clemence Boyer the daughter of Louis Boyer and Madeleine Trotter in 1868.

Children of Joseph and Suzanne:

- Adele, born March 1, 1852 at SFX. She married James John Hamelin, the son of Jonas Hamelin and Marie Daigneault, in 1882 on the Musselshell River.
- Jean Baptiste Jonas, born November 15, 1863 at SFX.

- Susanne, born December 29, 1866 at SFX, died September 1, 1867.

LeRat, Sophie.

Sophie was the daughter of François LeRat dit Pitwewekijik and Rosalie Comptois. She married Bernard Delorme, a member of Turtle Mountain Band. He was born on Dec. 20, 1855, the son of Joseph "Akkway" Delorme and Isabelle Gourneau. Bernard was married to Sophia LeRat and they were part of the Cowessess Band. She took discharge from treaty on September 5, 1890. His brother is Joseph Delorme also with this hunting group as was his sister Isabelle who was married to Jean Baptiste Trotter also a signatory to this petition. Bernard and his family received Turtle Mountain Band annuity payments in 1873 and appear on subsequent census counts. Sophie took discharge from treaty with Cowessess Band on September 5, 1890.

LeRat, Zacharie. (1858-1928)

Zacharie LeRat dit Pitwewekijik was the son of François LeRat dit Pitwewekijik and Rosalie Comptois. François died in 1887 on the Turtle Mountain Reservation. Rosalie died on Cowessess reservation. His grandfather was Chief Black Duck *dit* Makadeshib. Stump Lake, North Dakota was the site of Black Duck Village. Black Duck was a sub-chief of the Turtle Mountain Band. In 1878, Zacharie and other Métis buffalo hunters at Cypress Hills wrote a petition asking for a special Métis reserve of land. Zacharie became "Chief of the Half Breeds" at Cowessess where his relatives still live. He married Marie Landry the daughter of Pierre Landry and Madeleine Chadron.

His sister Genevieve LeRat was married to Jean Baptiste Sparvie, another Métis who signed the Cypress Hills petition in 1878. They too became members of the Cowessess Band before she withdrew from treaty. Genevieve took discharge from treaty on June 13, 1890.⁵⁷

Letendré, Moïse

Léveillé, Gabriel. (1841-1883)

In 1878, Gabriel and other Métis buffalo hunters at Cypress Hills wrote a petition asking for a special Métis reserve of land. Gabriel's

⁵⁷ Sherry Farrell Racette, . "Sewing Ourselves Together: Clothing, Decorative Arts and the Expression of Métis and Half Breed Identity." Winnipeg: University of Manitoba, Ph.D. dissertation, 2004: 59.

brothers, Joseph, and Pierre were also part of this hunting brigade and signed the petition.

Gabriel Léveillé; born on December 1, 1841 St. François Xavier; he married Eliza Poitras, daughter of Pierre Poitras and Marie Bruyere on 3 November 1864 at St. François Xavier. He was the son of Pierre Léveillé, born June 1783 at La Bois-St.Paul, Comte Charlevois, Quebec and Julie McKenzie, the Métis daughter of Alexander McKenzie and his wife Marie. He died 8 April 1883 on the prairie at age 41. Gabriel was accidentally killed by his nephew, Paul Caplette.

Children of Gabriel Leveille and Eliza Poitras:

- Patrice, born 1865, married Marie Rose Gariepy in 1886 at Duhamel.
- Florestine, born 1868, married Philippe Paul in 1885 at Duhamel.
- Elise, born 1870, married Noel Salois in 1885 at Duhamel.
- Octavie, born 1872, died 1873.
- Theophile, born 1874, died as an infant.
- Pierre, born 1875, Cypress Hills, died 1876.
- Marie Eleanore, born 1877, married John Gariepy.
- Gabriel, born 1880, married Clara Johnson.
- Joseph, born 1882, Red Deer River, married Marie Rose Lafournaise.

Gabriel and his older brother Pierre (b. 1829) were present at the Battle of the Grand Coteau. This battle took place between a Métis buffalo hunting party from St. François Xavier, led by Jean Baptiste Falcon and the Cut Head (Pabaksa) Yanktonai (Ihanktonwanna), Dakota, led by Chief Medicine (Sacred) Bear, on July 15 to 16, 1851. He would have been only ten years old at the time of this event. Gabriel Dumont who was also present was eleven years old.

As noted Gabriel and his brothers Pierre and Joseph were with the Half-Breeds living in the vicinity of Cypress Hills who petitioned the government for their own reserve in 1878.⁵⁸ This is a petition requested a re-opening of the buffalo hunt between November 14th and February 15th each year and the granting of Métis "reserve" land. The request was for a strip of land 150 miles long along the American border beginning

⁵⁸ Canada Sessional Papers, No. 45, 1886: 10-12. Received through the North-West Council, not dated, covering letters from the Lieut.-Governor of the North-West Territories, dated 30 September 1878.

where the Pembina River crosses the border, running west for 150 miles into Saskatchewan. This strip was to be fifty miles from south to north. The petition did not receive a favourable response.

The Léveillé family of Maple Creek has a unique history. Their mother was Julia MacKenzie, half-breed daughter of the explorer Alexander Mackenzie. In 1874, Louis Léveillé (b. 1828, son of Pierre) and some of his brothers met the North West Mounted Police at Old Wives Lake south of present day Moose Jaw and acted as their interpreters and guides. This association lasted for 30 years, staying firm through the Riel Rebellions.

A legend told by Gabriel Léveillé, son of Louis Léveillé, provides evidence of the faith the Métis held in their priests. One day Lestanc and a First Nations guide were being hotly pursued by a war party of Blackfoot. After riding all day, they were forced to stop and camp for the night. Rolling himself in his blankets, Lestanc was soon peacefully asleep. The guide, however, was restless and fearful until he rose from his bed and found the reason for the priest's calm. Before retiring, Lestanc had waved his arm and had created a lake around the hill on which they were camped, thus protecting them from their enemies. Any listener doubting this story would receive such a withering look from Gabriel that one would hastily agree that the good father must indeed have possessed great medicine.

Léveillé, Isaiah (Ignace).

Ignace Léveillé was the son of son of Louis Léveillé and Marguerite Gervais. He married Marie Justine Ouellette, the daughter of François Ouellette and Amable Azure Berger.

His brothers Pierre, and Paul and two uncles were also members of this brigade.

Léveillé, Joseph. (b. 1843)

Joseph was one of the Métis at Fort Walsh who submitted a petition, on behalf of the Métis of the four districts of Assiniboia to join Treaty 4, on September 7, 1876.

Joseph Léveillé; born circa 1843 at St. Boniface; married Sophie Grandbois, daughter of Michel Grandbois and Marguerite Landry on 11 January 1858 Assumption, Pembina, Dakota Territory. He was the son of Pierre Léveillé, born June 1783 at La Bois-St.Paul, Comte Charlevois, Quebec and Julie McKenzie, the Métis daughter of Alexander McKenzie and his wife Marie. He and Sophie Grandbois were enumerated in the census on 1 July 1886 Turtle Mountain, Dakota

Territory. Also in the family: Joseph Léveillé and Julie McKenzie. Joseph's brothers Pierre, and Gsbriel were also part of this brigade.

Scrip affidavit for Léveillé, Joseph; born: 1843; father: Louis Léveillé (French Canadian). mother: Julie McKenzie (Métis); claim no: 1302; scrip no: 10246; date of issue: Aug. 21, 1876; amount: \$160

Léveillé, Paul. (b. 1858)

Paul Léveillé was October 10, 1858 at St. François Xavier was the son of Louis Léveillé (b. 1825) and Marguerite Gervais. His brothers Isaih and Pierre and two uncles were also members of this brigade. He married Rose Gariepy, daughter of J.B. Gariepy and Marie Fagnant at Fort Benton in 1879. He then married Rosalie Pelletier, the daughter of Alexis Pelletier and Louise Houle circa 1885 at Maple Creek.

Leveille, Paul; for his minor children: Louis Paul, born: 5 Dec., 1885 at Fort Walsh; unnamed boy, born: 1880 at Fort Walsh; TWINS died 6 months old; unnamed girl died 3 months old; address: Maple Creek; father: Paul Leveille (Métis & deponent); mother: Rosalie Pelletier for Louis Paul; Rose Garriepy for the twins; (Métis); scrip cert.: form C, no. 718, Louis Paul; scrip cert.: form D, no. 1124, unnamed son heir; scrip cert.: form F, no. 340, Unnamed girl; father: Paul Léveillé; claim no. 1138.

Léveillé, Pierre Sr. (1829-1884)

Pierre was one of the Métis at Fort Walsh who submitted a petition, on behalf of the Métis of the four districts of Assiniboia to join Treaty 4, on September 7, 1876. In 1878, Pierre and other Métis buffalo hunters at Cypress Hills wrote a petition asking for a special Métis reserve of land. Pierre's brothers, Joseph, and Gabriel were also part of this hunting brigade and signed the petition.

Pierre Léveillé; born 14 January 1829 St. François Xavier; married Genevieve Fagnant, daughter of Jean Baptiste Fagnant and Josephte Monet dit Belhumeur on 15 September 1856 St. François Xavier. He was the son of Pierre Léveillé, born June 1783 at La Bois-St.Paul, Comte Charlevois, Quebec and Julie McKenzie, the Métis daughter of Alexander McKenzie and his wife Marie. He died on 16 February 1884 at St. François Xavier, at age 55.

Pierre became a fur trader in the west. He had his own train of Red River carts. He thus became familiar with the routes across the prai-

ries prior to 1873. By all accounts Pierre was an influential Métis of Red River. He temporarily opposed Riel in 1869-70 and kept Riel from obtaining the credentials of Donald A. Smith. In 1869, after Lieutenant Governor designate William McDougall was stopped at Pembina by the Métis, led by Ambroise Lepine and Toussaint Lucier, McDougall sent his 350 rifles and 10,000 rounds of ammunition to Georgetown (now Grand Forks, N.D.). On the 25th of November 1869, McDougall wrote to Joseph Howe, the Secretary of State noting that he had received information from his spies that the Métis intended to send horsemen to burn the HBC warehouse at Georgetown and destroy these arms. He then took immediate action to send the rifles and ammunition to Major Hunt (U.S. Army) at Fort Abercrombie, about 40 miles from Georgetown. McDougall's next move was to have Col. Dennis and Major Wallace enlist the Indians in a military move against the Métis. However, Pierre Léveillé was instrumental in thwarting these plans as reported by the local newspapers [*The New Nation*, January 7, 1870, pg. 2].

Pierre helped negotiate the treaty with the Métis and Saulteaux Indians at the Lake of the Woods in 1873. Pierre was apparently renowned for his size and strength. He was an "influential colonist" of the Red River, according to historian Alexander Begg. At the provisional government's November 16, 1869 Convention of 24, Pierre Léveillé was a delegate, chosen to represent St. François Xavier.

Pierre Léveillé from St. François Xavier was the guide who led the advance party of the newly-formed NWMP on their westward trek in 1874. After several weeks of traveling they arrived at Old Wives Lake (now named Johnson Lake, Saskatchewan). There they met Pierre's brother Louis, and his family. Louis Léveillé took Pierre's place and Pierre returned to Fort Garry.

Léveillé, Pierre. (b. 1856)

Pierre Léveillé, born March 20, 1856 at St. François Xavier was the son of Louis Léveillé and Marguerite Gervais. He married Pelagie Beauchamp at Lebret. Their children were born at Lewistown, Montana; Fort Walsh and Saskatchewan Landing. On August 6, 1880, Louis Riel petitioned for a Métis reserve in Montana in a letter sent to General Nelson A. Miles, Pierre Léveillé was one of the men who signed this petition. Pierre also signed the Métis petition to join Treaty Four in 1876. Pierre, his brother Paul

and three uncles were also part of this Cypress Hills brigade.

Pelagie Beauchamp was born on October 10, 1860, the daughter of Jerome Beauchamp and Genevieve Parisien; she married Pierre Léveillé, son of Louis Léveillé and Marguerite Gervais, on April 29, 1877 at Lebret.

The six children of Pierre Leveille and Pelagie Beauchamp were as follows:

- Françoise Leveille born circa 1878 at Lewistown, Montana, married Bernard Laverdure, the son of François Xavier Laverdure and Marguerite Pelletier on February 15, 1897.
- Marie Therese Leveille; born 1879 Fort Walsh; died January 1896 Milk River, Montana. She had a scrip application: circa 1900 Fort McGinnis, Montana, Leveille, Pierre, heir to his deceased daughter, Marie Therese; #1074; Address: Fort McGinnis, Montana; Born: Jul 1879, Fort Walsh; Died: Jan 1896, Milk River; Father: Pierre Leveille (HB); Mother: Adelaide Beauchamp (HB) (HBSI.).
- Rose Leveille; born May 8, 1883 Fort Walsh; she married John LaTray Latreille, the son of Moise Latreille and Suzanne Perreault dite Morin on February 26, 1900 at Giltedge, Fergus County, Montana; she died 27 February 1966 Big Sandy, Montana, at age 82. She was also known as Rose Lavallee. She had a scrip application: circa 1900 Fort McGinnis, Montana.: Leveille, Rose; #1067; Address: Fort McGinnes, Montana; Born: 8 May 1883, near Fort Walsh; Father: Peter Leveille (HB); Mother: Adelaide Beauchamp (HB) (HBSI.).
- Louis Leveille; born 15 November 1885 Saskatchewan Landing. He had a scrip application: circa 1900 Maple Creek, (Saskatchewan), Canada.; Leveille, Peter, for his living son, Louis Léveillé; #1090; Address: Maple Creek; Born: 15 Nov 1885, Saskatchewan Landing; Father: Peter Leveille (HB); Mother: Adelaide Beauchamp (HB) (HBSI.).
- Justine Leveille; born circa 1894; married Peter Putra, son of Ignace Poitras and Rosella Schwartz, before 1909.
- Georgeline 'Lena' Lavallee; born 28 October 1904 Havre, Blaine County, Mon-

tana; married James F. Damon, son of Charles Nels Damon and Louise Boyer, before 1921.

Léveillé, Thomas

Magill (McGillis dit Giroux), Alexandre (b. 1840)

Alexander McGillis, born at St. François Xavier was the son of Alexandre McGillis Sr.⁵⁹ and Marie Bottineau. He was the grandson of Angus McGillis who fought at the Battle of the Grand Coteau. Alexandre married Marie Jeanotte (b. 1847), the daughter of François Jeanotte and Madeleine Falcon on August 25, 1865 at St. François Xavier. Their 12 children were born at SFX, Willow Bunch and Cypress Hills.

Malaterre, Alexis. (b. 1825)

Alexis or Alexie Malaterre was born in July 1825 at St. François Xavier, the son of Jean Baptiste Malaterre and Angelique Adam. He married Marguerite Ward, the daughter of John Ward and Angelique Bruyere. The family is recorded in the 1881 Canada Census as Household # 4 living at Cypress Hills. With them are their children, Alexie (17), Napoleon (15), Celina (12), Adele (9), and Marguerite (5).

Malaterre, Charles. (b. 1862)

Charles was the son of Louis Malaterre and Euphrosine La Pierre. He married Isabelle Rocheblave, the daughter of Antoine Rocheblave and Nancy Pelletier in 1885 at Lebret. Antoine Rocheblave also signed this petition.

Malaterre, Isabelle. (b. c. 1826)

Isabelle was the daughter of Jean Baptiste Malaterre (b. 1781) and Angelique Adam (b. 1790). She married Gabriel Poitras the son of Andre Poitras and Cuthbert Grant's sister Marguerite Grant in 1842 at St. François Xavier.

Malaterre, Justine. (b. 1855)

Justine was born on November 19, 1855, the daughter of Alexis Malaterre (b. 1825) and Marguerite Ward. Isabelle Malaterre above is her aunt. Justine married Jean Baptiste Langer, the son of Antoine Langer and Louise Collin in 1876 at Lebret.

Malaterre, John. (b. 1857)

⁵⁹ Isabelle McGillis Wills was his aunt. Her husband also signed this petition.

John was the son of Louis Malaterre and Euphrosine La Pierre. John married Marie Rocheblanc (Rocheblave) the daughter of Antoine Rocheblave and Nancy Pelletier in 1879 on the Milk River.

Malaterre, Louis. (b. 1834)

Louis was one of the Métis at Fort Walsh who submitted a petition, on behalf of the Métis of the four districts of Assiniboia to join Treaty 4, on September 7, 1876.

Louis Malaterre was born on September 28, 1834, the son of Jean Baptiste Malaterre and Angelique Adam. He is shown as a midman on contract out of fort Ellice during 1857 to 1860, then temporary employee at Fort Ellice during 1863-64. He was a Turtle Mountain Band member. He married Euphrosine Lapierre, the daughter of Antoine Marsant *dit* Lapierre and Louise Machegone, in 1853 at St. François Xavier. Louis died at Great Falls, Montana, June 25, 1895.

Malaterre, Louis. (b. 1846)

Louis was born on February 23, 1846, at St. François Xavier, the son of Joseph Malaterre and Marie Vivier. He married Julie Cris Robertson Robson in 1882 at St. Laurent on the south Saskatchewan. They lived at Duck Lake but after 1885 moved to Fort Ellice. Louis was as member of the Cypress Hills Métis hunting band that petitioned for a reserve in 1878. Louis was active as a scout and fighter during the 1885 Resistance at Batoche. On April 22, 1885 he received a vote of thanks from the Council for reconnaissance at Clarke's Crossing (South of Fish Creek). This scouting activity was to report on Middleton's progress northwards.

Malette, Antoine (b. 1840)

This is Arsene (Anselme) Malette. On his scrip claim he says he left Manitoba in 1860 and in 1870 was living at Ile a la Crosse. When he made application for his own scrip (1885) he was a freighter and had lived in Calgary for four years. He married Madeleine Ducharme, the daughter of Nicholas Ducharme dit Charon and his second wife Charlotte (Saulteaux) Abinoche in 1860. Madeleine's brother, Jean Baptiste Ducharme (b. 1826) was also a member of this hunting brigade; see the entry of Jean Baptiste Ducharme above. Frederick St. Germain was the witness for the scrip claim Arsene put in for his son (below) said that Arsene had lived for a number of years in Montana and was receiving rations etc. as a member of the Flathead Reserve in Montana.

Malette, Anselme - Concerning his claim as a head of family - Address, Calgary - Born, 1840 at St. Boniface - Father, Joseph Malette, (French Canadian) - Mother, Marguerite, (Métis) - Married, 1860 at St. Boniface to Madeleine Ducharme - Children living, seven (names on declaration) - Children deceased, two - Scrip for \$160 - Claim 199

Malette, Isidore.

Unable to find any record.

Marion, Joseph Edouard. (b. 1848)

Joseph, Maxime and Norman Marion were brothers, the sons of Narcisse Marion and Mary Bouchard.

Marion, Maxime. (b. 1838)

Maxime was the son of Narcisse Marion and Mary Bouchard. Maxime listed himself as a plains trader.

Maxime Marion, a Boundary Commission guide in 1872-73 east of the Red River, was born April 25, 1838, at St. Boniface. He was the son of Narcisse Marion and Mary Bouchard. On September 1, 1862 at Pembina, he married Elise Jerome, daughter of Martin Jerome and Elizabeth Wilkie. Jean Baptiste Wilkie, the Métis chief, was his uncle. Maxime was a signatory to the Turtle Mountain Treaty of July 13, 1892. He and his family appear on the Turtle Mountain Band census 1888-1892.

Marion, Norman. (b. 1854)

Norman was born at St. Boniface, the son of Narcisse Marion (b. 1805) and Marie Bouchard. He married Rose Ouellette, the daughter of Métis trader Antoine Ouellette and Angelique Bottineau. Antoine Ouellette also signed this petition.

Typical of hunting families they had children across the prairies at Wood Mountain, Lewistown, Lebret and Oak Lake. Norman's father-in-law is listed below.

Martel, Marie Leocadiz. (b. 1841)

Marie was the daughter of Jean Baptiste Martel (b. 1810) and Joseph Godon. She was first married to Moise Azure, the son of Antoine Azure and Charlotte Pelletier in 1861 at Pembina. She then married Charles Gladue, the son of Charles Gladu and Madeleine Poitras.

Children of Charles and Marie:

- Charles, known as Tchee-guan”, born 1868, died 1928 at Medicine Lake.
- Sarah, born 1871, married Andrew Morin.
- Jean Marie, born 1872 at Lebret.
- Marie Leocadie, born 1874 at Lebret, died in 1895 at Dunseith.
- Marie Louise, born 1876, married St. Pierre Morin.
- Marie Rosalie, born 1876 at Wood Mountain, died in 1893 at St. Louis.
- Claude, born 1880, married Marie Adeline DuBois.
- Jean Moise, born 1884 at Belcourt, married Marie Pauline Dubois.
- Joseph, born 1884, married Marie Parisien then married Marie Louise Marion.
- William, born 1885, married Alicia Dubois.
- Louis John, born 1888, died 1971 at Medicine Lake.

McGillis Marie Therese. (b. 1860)

Marie was born on December 19, 1860 at St. François Xavier, the daughter of Angus McGillis (b. 1837) and Isabelle Fagnant. Her aunt is Isabelle McGillis listed below. She married Napoleon Lafournaise, the son of Joseph Lafournaise and Marie Madeleine Poitras in 1881 at St. François Xavier.

McGillis, Isabelle. (b. c. 1819)

Isabelle was the daughter of Angus McGillis and Marguerite Bottineau. She married Edouard Wills, the son of John Wills and Cuthbert Grant’s sister Josephine Grant in 1836 at St. François Xavier. Her niece listed above later married another member of this hunting band.

McKay, Léonore “Parkah-harh-quon”. (b. 1847)

Little Shell Band member Leonard “Parkah-harh-quon” McKay was born on September 20, 1847, the son of William McKay and Suzanne Versailles. He married Susan Lambert, the daughter of Joseph Lambert and Louis Plouf dit Villebrun. They had at least ten children born across the prairies at St. Norbert, Moose Jaw, Cypress Hills, and Fort Qu’Appelle.

Scrip application: McKay, Leonard; for his living children: Philomene, born: 1873 near

Moose Jaw; Napoleon, born: 1881 at Cypress Hills; address: Lariette, North Dakota; father: Leonard McKay (Métis and deponent); mother: Sara Lambert (Métis); scrip cert.: form C, nos. 224 and 228; claim no. 466.

McKay, Maria.

Maria was the daughter of Edward McKay a freeman living at the Red River Settlement. She married James Sanderson, on Sept. 16, 1872.

In 1872, Sanderson and his wife accompanied her family on a move to the Cypress Hills area. In 1875 he began employment with the N.W.M.P. as an interpreter. He was also a meat and hay procurer for the police. To this end, he brought a herd of cattle from Montana to supply them as the buffalo were disappearing from the plains. He signed a petition for a Métis reserve in Montana, sent by Louis Riel to General Nelson A. Miles, August 6, 1880.

In the Canada Census of 1881 James and Maria were recorded as household # 36 in Cypress Hills. He gives his occupation as “farmer.” Listed in the census are their children; Clara (8), Owen (6), Duncan (4) and Marie (2).

McLeod, Louise. (b. 1855)

Louise was born on February 7, 1855, the daughter of Joseph McLeod (b. 1810) and Louise Marchand dite Lapierre. Louise married Joseph “Com Captain” Delorme, the son of Urbain Henault dit Delorme and Madeleine Vivier, in 1875 at St. François Xavier.

Méchiale, Daniel

Michel, Joseph

Michel; for his deceased children: Marie Louise, born: 1883 at Big Stick Lake; died: 1885 at Medicine Hat; Joseph, born: 1875 at Duck Lake; died: 1878 at Big Stick Lake; address: Cypress Hills; father: Michel (Métis and deponent); mother: Marie Thomas (Métis); claim no. 1159.

Montigny (Demontigny), Charles (b. 1845)

Charles Demontigny although born at St. François Xavier was a Turtle Mountain Band member, the son of Charles “Pah-pe-tche” Demontigny Sr. (b. 1819) and Marie Desjarlais. He first was married to Nancy Thorne then to Maria Branconnier. His father, Charles Sr. had worked for Antoine Desjarlais at Fort Desjarlais in the Souris River Valley in the 1840-50s.

Montigny (Demontigny), Patrick. (b. 1856)

Patrice Demontigny was the son of Charles Demontigny and Marie Desjarlais. Although born at Baie St. Paul, he was a Turtle Mountain Band member.

Moreau, Angelique. (b. 1867)

Angelique was the daughter of Jonas Moreau (b. 1841) and Cecile Desjarlais. She married Julien Ouellette the son of Joseph Ouellette and Madeleine Paul in 1885 at Duck Lake.

(Morin) Morrad, Alexander. (b. 1847)

Alexandre was the son of Antoine Morin (b. 1808) and Therese Larocque (b. 1813). He married Angelique Bruneau dit Chatelain in 1868. They had thirteen children born at Willow Bunch, Wood Mountain, Cypress Hills, St. John and Turtle Mountain. In the Henderson's Directory 1881-82 an A. Morrien is listed as a hivernant trader in the Cypress Hills region.

Alexandre died at Medicine Lake, Montana in 1908. In the 1881 Canada Census the family is recorded as Household # 60, with them are their children, J. Alexandre (10), Therese (9), Josette (7), and Marie (3). Alexandre is the youngest of three brothers recorded here.

Morin, Louis. (b. 1837)

Louis was born in March, 1837 at St. Boniface, the son of Antoine Morin (b. 1808) and Therese Larocque (b. 1813). He married Marguerite Gosselin (b. 1842), the daughter of Francis Gosselin and Suzanne Lafournaise. They had nine children born at St. Norbert and Wood Mountain. In the 1881 Canada Census this family is recorded as Household # 58 in Cypress Hills area. He lists his occupation as "Trader". With them are their children, J. Alfred, a clerk (16), Marguerite (14), Virginie (13), Louis (11), Joseph (9), Frederick (7), Henrie (5) and Pierre A. (2). Louis is the oldest of three brothers recorded here.

Morin, Madeleine. (b. 1849)

Madeleine was born in St François-Xavier, the daughter of Jean Baptiste Morin and Marie Dubois. She married Edouard Pelletier (b. 1834) the son of Charles Pelletier and Suzanne Bercier. They had eleven children.

Morin, St. Pierre. (b. 1846)

Pierre known as "Kihitchee Norbay" was the son of Antoine Morin (b. 1808) and Therese Larocque (b. 1813). He married Elizabeth

"Lysa" Gonneville (b. 1847), the daughter of Alexis Gonneville and Joseph Trotter. They had nine children, born at Le Bret, Wood Mountain, Cypress Hills, and Turtle Mountain. In the 1881 Canada Census the family is recorded as Household # 59, in the Cypress Hills area. Pierre gives "hunter" as his occupation. With them are their children, Antoine (10), Philomene (8) and Josette (5). Pierre's two brothers are listed above.

After the sudden passing of Liza, St Pierre was married to Genevieve Whitford; born about 1840 in St Boniface.

Affidavit of Morin, St. Pierre; born: 1 November 1849 at St. Norbert; father: Antoine Morin (Métis); mother: Therese Rocque (Métis); claim no. 6198 1/2; grant no. 4841; date: 20 July 1877.

Morin, Pierre; address: Dunseith; heir to his deceased daughter, Virginie Morin; born: December, 1877 at Cypress Hills; died: 1878 at Wood Mountain; father: Pierre Morin (Métis and deponent); mother: Elisa Gunville (Métis); scrip issued for 240 acres; file ref. 958702; claim no. 126.

Morin, Pierre; for his deceased children: Antoine born: 1871 at Wood Mountain; died: 25 February, 1893; Julienne born: 1877 at Wood Mountain; died: 10 March, 1878; address: St. Johns, North Dakota; father: Pierre Morin (Métis and deponent); mother: Liza Gonneville (Métis); scrip cert.: form F, no. 324 and scrip cert.: form D, no. 744; claim no. 902.

Morrison, Edward. (b. 1864)

Edward Morrison was born on February 1, 1864 at Headingley, the son of Angus Morrison and Ann Cunningham.

Nolin, Marie. (b. 1828)

Marie was born on December 7, 1828, the daughter of Augustin Nolin (b. 1781) and Helene Cameron. Her father fought on the British side during the War of 1812. Marie married Jean Baptiste Falcon, the son of Pierre Falcon and Marie Grant (the daughter of Cuthbert Grant), in 1846. Jean Baptiste was the leader for the St. François Xavier Hunt Brigade, thus he and Marie were veterans of the Battle of the Grand Coteau in 1851.

Scrip affidavit for Falcon, Marie, wife of Baptiste Falcon; born: December 8, 1828; father: Augustus Nolin (Métis); mother: Ann Cameron (Métis); claim no: 551; scrip no: 4248 to 4255; date of issue: June 13, 1876; amount: \$160

Ouellette, Antoine. (1834-1922)

Antoine, also known as Antoine Ratte, Ellette or Walette was born on December 29, 1834 at St. François Xavier, the son of Joseph Ouellette (b. 1799) and Therese Elizabeth Daniels *dite* Houle. Joseph was the son of Joseph Ouellette Sr. (b.1765) and Angelique (Assiniboine). Theresa Houle (b. 1805) was the daughter of Antoine Houle (b. 1781) and Josephthe Lauzon.

Antoine's father Joseph II (c. 1799-1885) was the son of Joseph Ouellet and Angélique, an Assiniboine woman. He married Thérèse Elizabeth Houle and they had thirteen children. They lived at St. Norbert and St. François Xavier before moving to St. Laurent on the South Saskatchewan in 1874. However, in 1875 he received Half Breed Scrip pursuant to the 1864 Treaty with the Red Lake and Pembina Bands of Chippewa Indians. In 1875 he and his sons received scrip stubs for 160 acres each, Scrip # 375 for Joseph Sr., Scrip # 388 for Antoine and #376 for his son Joseph. In 1868, he was living with the Turtle Mountain Band and received a \$3.00 annuity payment from the American government. Joseph II fought and died at Batoche during the 1885 Resistance.

Antoine Ouellette married Angelique "Omanukwe" Bottineau⁶⁰ (b. 1838), the daughter of Joseph Bottineau (b. 1815) and Angelique Cardinal (b. 1816) on June 15, 1857 at Pembina. Their multilingual Métis family were descendants of the French, Chippewa, Nakoda (Assiniboine), Dakota and Cree.

Antoine's brothers were married to Angelique's sisters. Marie Bottineau, born in 1834 married Isidore Ouellette, born 1830. Josephthe Bottineau, born in 1836 married François Ouellette born 1832. Their daughter Marie (b. 1857) married Antoine's trading partner Jean Louis Legare. Another brother, Jean Baptiste (b. 1837) was married to Isabelle Dumont the daughter of Métis hunt leader Isidore Dumont. Antoine youngest sister Marie Françoise (b. 1847) was married to Isabelle's brother Elie Dumont. Another brother Pierre (b. 1842) was married to Marguerite Gingras, the daughter of St. Joseph trader Antoine Gingras.

Antoine and Angelique had the following children:

⁶⁰ Scrip affidavit for Ouellette, Angelique; born: 1838; husband: Antoine Ouellette; father: Joseph Botineau; mother: Angelique Cardinal; claim no: 2650; scrip no: 12222; date of issue: April 20, 1877; amount: \$160.

- Joseph, b. January 29, 1859.
- Rose, b. April 30, 1861. She married Norman Marion, the son of Narcisse Marion and Marie Bouchard. Norman also signed this petition. Typical of hunting families they had children across the prairies at Wood Mountain, Lewistown, Lebret and Oak Lake.
- Moise, b. July 2, 1863 at Lewistown. He married Elise Isabella Dumont, the daughter of Edouard Dumont and Sophie Letendre in 1888 at Lewistown, Montana.
- Celina, b.c. 1865.
- François "Frank", b. October 14, 1868 at Devil's Lake. He married Marie Alexina Welsh (Wells), the daughter of Edouard (Wills) Wells and Marie Demontigny, in 1893 at Lewistown, Montana. His father-in-law signed this petition.⁶¹
- Marie Elise, b. c. 1870 at Wood Mountain.
- Marie Philomene, b. February 25, 1872 at Lebret. She married John Wills, the son of Edouard Wells (Wills) and Isabelle McGillis in 1887.⁶²
- Joseph Jean Marie, b. February 4, 1874 at Wood Mountain. He died January 1875.⁶³
- Albert, b. January 14, 1876 at Wood Mountain. He died in 1877 at Fort Walsh.

⁶¹ Ouellette, François; heir to his deceased children: Jean Isidore, born: 7 February, 1884, died: August, 1884; Jean Napoleon, born: 21 May, 1875 at Cypress Hills, died: December, 1896 at Lewiston, Montana; François, born: 15 June, 1883 at Wood Mountain, died: 21 June, 1883 at Wood Mountain; Marie Christian, born: 16 May, 1885 at Cypress Hills; died: June, 1896 at Lewiston, Montana; address: Grassland, Montana; father: François Ouellette (Métis and deponent); mother: Elise Berger (Métis); Jean Isidore, scrip cert.: form D, no. 1090; Jean Napoleon, scrip cert.: form D, no. 1092; François Jr., scrip cert.: form D, no. 1094; Marie Christine, scrip issued for 240 acres; file ref. 30853A; claim no. 1076.

⁶² Ouellette, Antoine; for his daughter, Philoméne, wife of John Well; address: Lewiston, Montana; born: 1874 at Wood Mountain Post; father: Antoine Ouellette (Métis and deponent); mother: Angélique Bottineau (Métis); file ref. 12382A; claim no. 200.

⁶³ Ouellette, Antoine; heir to his deceased children: Jean Marie, born: March, 1874 at Wood Mountain Post, died: January, 1875; Albert, born: October 1876 at Wood Mountain Post; died: December, 1877 at Fort Walsh; address: Lewiston, Fergus Co., Montana; father: Antoine Ouellette (Métis and deponent); mother: Angélique Bottineau (Métis); 2 scrip issued for 240 acres; file ref. 947449; claim no. 221.

- Jean Baptiste, b. February 2, 1878 at Cypress Hills.⁶⁴
- Marie Elizabeth, b. March 19, 1880 at Lewistown. She married Joseph Dominique Ducharme, the son of François Charron dit Ducharme and Joseph Carrière.
- Odilon, b. 1884. He married Eliza Azure, the daughter of Joseph Azure and Elizabeth Champagne in 1923.

Antoine was an independent Métis trader operating back and forth to St. Paul in the Minnesota Territory and was heavily involved in the Métis-Dakota/Lakota trade. With the advent of the North West Mounted Police he became a scout and guide for them. When Sitting Bull came up to Wood Mountain in 1870 he was reliant upon trade with Antoine Ouellette and Louis Legare who was working for Ouellette out of Willow Bunch (Talle de Saules) as well as Joseph McKay. Joseph McKay was trading out of Fort Ellice and Baptiste Bourassa who was working for him was relieved of their whole trading outfit by the Sioux near the Milk River. Isaac Cowie reported that Antoine was trading liquor to the Indians at Wood Mountain, Pinto Horse Butte and Eagle Quills.⁶⁵

In 1877, tourists Percy Heber and his wife hired Antoine "Wallett" as their scout and guide.⁶⁶ They had three carts four men including Antoine and thirteen horses. They describe the French speaking Métis as Antoine their guide, George, a cook, and Villeneuve, plus an English speaking Sioux.

The first permanent settlers in Spring Creek, what is now Lewistown, Montana were the Métis. In 1879 three bands comprising of about forty families came in their Red River Carts. A few of the names that became very familiar to all were Berger, Wells, Laverdure, Ouellette, and Ben Kline who down through the years was looked upon as their spokesman and leader. They immediately filed on homesteads. The Ouellette addition to the city, for example, located near the Garfield School, and known as

⁶⁴ Ouellette, John; address: Lewiston, Montan; born: 2 February, 1878 at Cypress Hills; father: Antoine Ouellette (Métis); mother: Angélique Bottineau (Métis); scrip issued for 240 acres; file ref. 947447; claim no. 1448.

⁶⁵ Isaac Cowie. *The Company of Adventurers*. Toronto: William Briggs, 1913: 433.

⁶⁶ Percy Heber, *Journal of two Excursions in the British North West Territory of North America, 1877, 1888*. Market Drayton, England: Bennion & Horne, 1879: 4. They retained Antoine through James McKay at Silver Heights.

"Buckskin Flats," was Antoine Ouellette's original homestead.

In 1878, Antoine and other Métis buffalo hunters at Cypress Hills wrote a petition asking for a special Métis reserve of land. His father, Joseph Sr., and brothers, Joseph Jr. and Jean Baptiste also signed this petition. This petition requested a re-opening of the buffalo hunt between November 14th and February 15th each year and the granting of Métis "reserve" land (A strip of land 150 miles long along the American border beginning where the Pembina River crosses the border). This strip was to be fifty miles from south to north. His brother Jean Baptiste Ouellette also signed this petition.

Antoine and his brother Moïse also signed the petition for a Métis reserve in Montana, sent by Louis Riel to General Nelson A. Miles on August 6, 1880.

Antoine's brother Moïse Ouellette (1840-1911) has gone down in history as one of the men who accompanied Gabriel Dumont to Montana in 1884 to bring Louis Riel back to Canada. Riel stayed for a time with the Ouellette's on his return to Canada. Moïse Ouellette was married to Isabelle Dumont, the sister of Gabriel Dumont. Her parents were Isidore Dumont Sr. and Louise Laframboise. Additionally, Gabriel Dumont's brother Elie was married to Ouellette's sister Françoise Ouellette.

Joseph Ouellette Jr. (1824-1899) was the older brother of Antoine. In 1868, he moved from Red River to Wood Mountain for two years, then to Cut Arm Creek (one year), then back to Wood Mountain and Cypress Hills (8 years) then permanently to Duck Lake. In 1874, Joseph was issued Scrip # 375 (160 acres) under the Red Lake and Pembina Treaty. In 1878, Joseph and other Métis buffalo hunters at Cypress Hills wrote a petition asking for a special Métis reserve of land. In 1855, at White Horse Plains, he married Madeleine Paul; they had six surviving children. Two of their boys, Julien and Joseph were active in the Resistance along with their father. Joseph's niece Veronique was married to Michel Dumas, the farm instructor at One Arrow Reserve.

Ouellette, James. (1857-1941)

James Ouellette was born at Pembina on January 9, 1857, the son of Isidore Ouellette (b. 1830) and Marie Bottineau. He married Felicite Lafournaise, the daughter of Joseph Lafournaise and Suzanne Valle at Wood Mountain in 1879.

Ouellette, Félicité - Concerning her claim as a child - Address, Willow Bunch via Moose Jaw - Father, Joseph Lafournaise, (Métis) - Born, 1858 at Pembina - Mother, Suzanne Vallée, (Métis) - Married, 1879 at Wood Mountain to James Ouellette - Scrip for \$240 - Claim 1616

Ouellette, Jean Baptiste. (b. 1837)

François Xavier, the son of Joseph Ouelette Jr. and Thérèse Elizabeth Houle. He married Cecile Courchene the daughter of François Courchene and Françoise Beauchamp in 1858 at Pembina. They had three sons active in the Resistance: Jean Baptiste Jr., Bernard, and Abraham. Baptiste was a member of Captain Antoine Lafontaine's company, one of the 19 *dizaines* led by Gabriel Dumont during the 1885 Métis Resistance.

In 1878, Jean Baptiste was a member of the Cypress Hills Métis hunting band that petitioned for a reserve.

Ouellette, Baptiste; address: St. Bonifac; born: 1837 at St. Norbert, Man; father: Joseph Ouellette Sr. (Métis); mother: Therese Houle (Métis); married: 1858 at St. Joe, Dakota to Cecile Courchene; children living: Jean Baptiste, Bernard, Abraham, Adelaide, Marie Rose, William, Thaddie and Eleonore; children deceased: Angele, St. Pierre, Françoise and 1 with no name; scrip for \$160.00; claim no. 1143.

On his 1885 claim for Half Breed Scrip for his children he states: "For the last twenty years I have been a permanent resident of the Territories and my deceased children lived with me up to the time of their demise. Both of my deceased children died at St. Albert in the Territories of small pox, during the month of August or September 1870." Officials note on the claim: "Will write to St. Albert for the burial certificates. Claimant declines answering questions relating to the part taken by him during the late rebellion."⁶⁷ This claim was reserved because of his participation in the Resistance and later allowed on October 15, 1886.⁶⁸

Joseph was born at St. François Xavier the son of Joseph Ouelette III and Madeleine Paul.

⁶⁷ RG 15, D II (8) (b).

⁶⁸ The Deputy Minister of the Interior instructed (June 11, 1886) that all claims disallowed because of Resistance activity would now be allowed.

He married Marie Parenteau, the daughter of Petit Louis Parenteau and Susanne Grant.

Ouellette, Joseph. (1799-1885)

Joseph (c. 1799-1885) was the son of Joseph Ouellette and Angélique, an Assiniboine woman. He married Thérèse Elizabeth Houle and they had thirteen children. Their son Antoine Ouellette is listed above and he also signed this petition. They lived at St. Norbert and St. François Xavier before moving to St. Laurent on the South Saskatchewan in 1874. However, in 1875 he received Half Breed Scrip pursuant to the 1864 Treaty with the Red Lake and Pembina Bands of Chippewa Indians (Scrip # 375).

In 1875 he and his son Joseph Jr. received scrip stubs for 160 acres each, Scrip # 375 for Joseph Sr. and #376 for his son Joseph. In 1868, he was living with the Turtle Mountain Band and received a \$3.00 annuity payment from the American government. Joseph fought and died at Batoche during the 1885 Resistance.

Ouellette (Walette), Joseph Jr. (1824-1899)

Joseph, the older brother of Antoine and Jean Baptiste Ouellette (above). Joseph was the son of Joseph Ouelette Jr. and Thérèse Elizabeth Houle. In 1868, he moved from Red River to Wood Mountain for two years, then to Cut Arm Creek (one year), then back to Wood Mountain and Cypress Hills (8 years) then permanently to Duck Lake.

In 1874, Joseph was issued Scrip # 376 (160 acres) under the Red Lake and Pembina Treaty. In 1878, Joseph and other Métis buffalo hunters at Cypress Hills wrote a petition asking for a special Métis reserve of land.

In 1855, at White Horse Plains, he married Madeleine Paul; they had six surviving children. Two of their boys, Julien and Joseph were active in the Resistance. Joseph's niece Veronique was married to Michel Dumas, the farm instructor at One Arrow Reserve. Joseph III fought for the Métis at Batoche.

In 1878, Joseph and other Métis buffalo hunters at Cypress Hills wrote a petition asking for a special Métis reserve of land. Joseph fought for the Métis at Batoche. He was a member of Captain James Short's company, one of the 19 *dizaines* led by Gabriel Dumont during the 1885 Métis Resistance.

On his 1885 application for Half Breed Scrip Joseph states: "Up to 1868, I lived both in Manitoba and the Territories. In 1868, I moved to Wood Mountain where I lived two years, thence to Cut Arm Creek, one year, thence again

to Wood Mountain and Cypress Hills (for) about eight years, thence to Duck Lake where I have ever since resided. I am occupying a piece of land near Duck Lake, for which I never entered (application for title) for want of means. I am on said land since July 1879. Since last March I have continuously lived at Duck Lake and vicinity. I was present in arms at Batoche; but I was forced by the leaders to be present at the engagements with the government troops. I took no part in the engagement neither at Duck Lake nor at Fish Creek.”⁶⁹ This claim was reserved because of his participation in the Resistance and later allowed on October 13, 1886.⁷⁰

Ouellette, Joseph - Concerning his claim as a head of family - Address, Duck Lake - Born, 1834 near Winnipeg - Father, Joseph Ouellette, (Métis) - Mother, Thérèse Houle, (Métis) - Married, 1855 at White Horse Plains to Madeleine Paul - Children living, six (names on declaration) - Children deceased, six - Scrip for \$160 - Claim 1271

Ouelette (Walette), Julien. (b. 1849)

Julien was born at Oak Lake the son of Joseph III and Madeleine Paul. He married Angelique Moreau (b. 1867) the daughter of Jonas Moreau and Cecile Desjarlais. They resided at Duck Lake. In 1878, Julien and other Métis buffalo hunters at Cypress Hills wrote a petition asking for a special Métis reserve of land. Julien was a member of Captain Jonas Moureau's company, one of the 19 *dizaines* led by Gabriel Dumont during the 1885 Métis Resistance.

Ouellette, Julien; address: Grandin P.O. [Post Office]; born: 1849 at Oak Lake; father: Joseph Ouellette (Métis); mother: Madelaine Paul (Métis); married: 1884 at Duck Lake to Angélique Moreau; children living: St. Pierre; scrip for \$240.00; claim no. 960.

Ouellette (Walette), Patrice. (b. 1860)

Patrice was born January 17, 1860 at Baie St. Paul, the son of Joseph Ouellette and Madeleine Paul. He married Marguerite Lattergrass, the daughter of Akewenin Lattergrass and Isabelle Kipling in 1886 at Battleford.⁷¹

⁶⁹ RG 15, D II (8) (b).

⁷⁰ The Deputy Minister of the Interior instructed (June 11, 1886) that all claims disallowed because of Resistance activity would now be allowed.

⁷¹ Ouellette, Marguerite; address: Battlefor born: 1855 at Baie St. Paul, Man; father: Akewenin Laterregresse (Métis); mother: Isabelle Kipling or Kapewashik (Métis); married: 1886 at Battleford to Patrice Ouellette; lived with an Indian before marriage; children living: Jean Marie (Indian hus-

Ouellette, Patrice - Concerning his claim as a child - Address, Battleford - Born, 1861 at Baie St. Paul - Father, Joseph Ouellette, (Métis) - Mother, Madeleine Paul, (Métis) - Scrip for \$240 - Claim 1245.

Ouellette, Marie Philomene. (b. 1872)

Philomene was the daughter of Antoine Ouellette and Angelique Bottineau, and younger sister of rose listed below. Later, in 1887 she married John Wills who also signed this petition.

Ouellette, Rose. (b. 1861)

Rose was the daughter of Antoine Ouellette and Angelique Bottineau. She married Norman Marion, the son of Narcisse Marion and Marie Bouchard.

Parenteau, Angelique. (b. c. 1834)

Angelique was the daughter of Joseph Parenteau and Suzanne Richard. She first married Jean Baptiste Laframboise, the son of Joseph Laframboise and Josephte (Assiniboine). She then married Moise Lapierre, the son of Antoine Lapierre and Catherine Gagnon in 12871 at Duck Lake.

Parenteau, Elie. (b. 1835)

Elie Parenteau was the son of Joseph Parenteau and Suzanne Daigneault. He married Marie Beriault, the daughter of Joseph Beriault and Isabelle Duval in 1862 at St. Boniface. He then married Françoise Ledoux, the daughter of Eusebe Ledoux and Louise Desjarlais in 1868 at St. François Xavier. Lastly, he married Marguerite Lafournaise, the daughter of Gabriel Lafournaise and Susanne Collin sometime before 1876.

Parenteau, Judith. (b. 1847)

Judith was the daughter of Joseph Parenteau and Angelique Godon. She married Isidore Dumont Jr., the son of Isidore Dumont and Louise Laframboise.

Parenteau, Madeleine. (b. 1833)

Madeleine was the daughter of Joseph Parenteau (b. 1815) and Suzanne Daigneault. She married Augustin Racette, the son of Augustin Racette and Suzanne Groulx.

Parenteau, Marie Louisa (b. 1843)

band); children deceased: 4; scrip for \$240.00; claim no. 896.

Louisa was the daughter of Pierre Parenteau (b. 1817) and Joseph Delorme. She married Jean Baptiste Charette, the son of Joseph Charette and Marie Gosselin in 1865 at St. Norbert.

Parisien, Joseph. (1847)

Joseph was one of the Métis at Fort Walsh who submitted a petition, on behalf of the Métis of the four districts of Assiniboia to join Treaty 4, on September 7, 1876.

Joseph Parisien was born in 1847 in St. Boniface, the son of Joseph Parisien Sr. and Marguerite Lavalée Martin. He married Marguerite Gariépy, the daughter of Bonaventure Gariépy and Madeleine Larocque, in 1871 at Lebret. He signed a petition for a Métis reserve in Montana, sent by Louis Riel to General Nelson A. Miles, August 6, 1880.

Patrice, Isidore

Paul, Madeleine (b. 1827)

Madeleine was the daughter of Paul and Marguerite Lavallée. In 1854 at White Horse Plains

She married Joseph Ouellette on June 9, 1845 at St. François Xavier. Joseph, born in 1824, was the son of Joseph Ouellette Jr. and Thérèse Elizabeth Daniels *dit* Houle. In 1868, they moved from Red River to Wood Mountain for two years, then to Cut Arm Creek (one year), then back to Wood Mountain and Cypress Hills (8 years) then permanently to Duck Lake. In 1874, Joseph was issued Scrip # 375 (160 acres) under the Red Lake and Pembina Treaty. In 1878, Joseph and other Métis buffalo hunters at Cypress Hills wrote a petition asking for a special Métis reserve of land. He was then active in the 1885 Resistance

Madeleine and Joseph had six surviving children. Two of their boys, Julien and Joseph were active in the 1885 Resistance. Joseph's niece Veronique was married to Michel Dumas, the farm instructor at One Arrow Reserve.

The Pelletier Family and the Cypress Hills Métis Hunting Band:

Jean Baptiste "Wa-sa-ko-the" Pelletier was born circa 1825, the son of Joseph Pierre Pelletier dit Boston dit Assiniboine (b. 1787) and

Genevieve Ljikay Hallett.⁷² Joseph Pierre Pelletier was with Cuthbert Grant at the Battle of Seven Oaks in 1816.

Jean Baptiste Pelletier b. 1825 had five sons who were signatories to the Métis petition to join Treaty Four on September 7, 1876 at Fort Walsh. Jean Baptiste died in the Cypress Hills in April of 1878. He and his wife Madeleine Deschamps had five children who signed the Cypress Hills Métis Hunting Band Petition for a reserve in September of 1878, only five months after he died. The children who were signatories were: Alexandre (b. 1840) Jean Baptiste Jr. (b. 1846), Chrysologue Pierre (b. 1849), Cuthbert (b. 1864) and Adolphus (b. 1869). Jean Baptiste's brother Pierre Pelletier dit Assiniboine (b. 1816) was married to Jean Baptiste's wife's sister Josephine Deschamps. They also had a son, Paul Pelletier (b. 1844) who signed the Cypress Hills Petition of 1878. Pierre Pelletier dit Assiniboine and his son Joseph Pelletier had also signed Augustin Brabant's September 11, 1874 petition from Lac Qu'Appelle regard to Métis rights to land, fishing and hunting in the Qu'Appelle Valley and environs.

Pelletier (Pelloche), Adolphus.

Adolphus was born on June 12, 1868, the son of Jean Baptiste Pelletier and Madeleine Deschamps. He married Marie Caroline Vallee.

Scrip claims :

Scrip Certificate No. 721 Form B for \$22.85 in favour of Adolphus Pelletier one of the heirs of Baptiste Pelletier.

Scrip Certificate No. 716 Form B for \$34.28 in favour of Adolphus Pelletier one of the heirs of Marie Pelletier.

Pelletier, Alexandre. (b. 1860)

Alexandre was born on May 21, 1860 at SFX. He was the son of Joseph Pelletier and Louise St. Denis. Two of his uncles, Cuthbert and Michel St. Denis, were part of this hunting brigade. Alexandre married Rose Ross. They had three children one born at Lestock and two born at Lebret.

Pelletier (Pelloche), Alexandre. (b. 1854)

Alex was one of the Métis at Fort Walsh who submitted a petition, on behalf of the Métis

⁷² Joseph was the son of Antoine Pelletier and Marguerite (Saulteaux), Genevieve was the daughter of Henry Hallett and a Saulteaux woman.

of the four districts of Assiniboia to join Treaty 4, on September 7, 1876.

Alexandre Pelletier was born in 1854, the son of Jean Baptiste Pelletier Sr. and Madeleine Deschamps. His uncle Pierre Pelletier (b. 1816) was married to Josephite Deschamps, the sister of Madeleine.

Alexandre married Caroline Bruyere, (b. 1859) in the Cypress hills in 1877. She was the daughter of Jean Baptiste Bruyere and Angelique Guilbault in 1875 at Cypress Hills. Alexandre was band member #26 of Little Child's Band. In 1886, Alexandre, his wife and 2 boys and 4 girls withdrew from Treaty. The couple had eleven children.

- Marie Louise, born 1878 at Wood Mountain, died at Dunseith, North Dakota in 1879.
- Vitaline, born in 1880 at Wood Mountain died when one month old.
- Alfred, born in 1882 at Fort Qu'Appelle, died at Belcourt, North Dakota in 1890.
- Josue (Joseph), born in 1884 at Qu'Appelle, died in 1889.
- Marie.

Pelletier, Alexandre; heir to his deceased daughter, Marie Louise Pelletier; address: Dunseith; born: 1878 at Wood Mountain; father: Alexandre Pelletier (Métis and deponent); mother: Caroline Bruyere (Métis); died: November or December, 1879; scrip cert.: form D, no. 942; claim no. 965.

Pelletier (Pelloche), Alexandre. (b. 1860)

Alexandre Pelletier was born on May 21, 1860 at St. François Xavier, the son of Joseph Pelletier and Louise St. Denis. He married Rose Ross born June 4, 1857 at St. François Xavier. Rose was previously married to Gregoire Wills.

Scrip Certificate No. 962 Form A for \$240 in favour of Alexandre Pelletier.

Pelletier, Alexandre; heir to his deceased sons; John, born: 1883 at Pheasant Creek; died: 10 May, 1884; Israel, born: August, 1885 at Pheasant Creek; died: 9 February, 1886; address: File Hills; father: Alexandre Pelletier (Métis and deponent); mother: Rose Ross (Métis); scrip cert.: form F, no. 72, John Pelletier; scrip cert.: form F, no. 74, Israel Pelletier; file ref. 995591 on 966203; claim no. 433.

Pelletier, Alique

Alex was at one time a Turtle Mountain Band member. Alexandre Peltier left treaty from the Cowessess Band on July 22, 1886.

Pelletier (Pelloche), Chrysologue (Lassellog) Pierre. (b. 1849)

Chrysologue was born in 1849 at St. François Xavier, the son of Jean Baptiste Pelletier and Madeleine Deschamps. He married Philomene Fournier (b. 1847), the daughter of François Fournier dit Wiskaway and Angelique Methote in 1870 at Lebret. The couple had nine children.

Their children were:

- Chrysologue, born in 1871 at Lebret, he died in 1886.
- Judith, born in 1873 at Qu'Appelle. She married Baptiste (Henry) Allary in 1891, they lived at Birtle, Manitoba.
- Nancy, born in 1875 at Wood Mountain, she was married to a Houle.
- Cuthbert, born 1876 at Lebret, he died in 1886 at Lebret.
- Marie Emilie, born in 1882 at Qu'Appelle, she married Louis Morin in St. John, North Dakota.
- Isabella, died as an infant.
- Chrysosteme, died before 1900.

Pelletier, Chrysologue; address: Fort Qu'Appelle; born: 1838 at Red River; father: Baptiste Pelletier (deceased; Métis); mother: Madeleine Deschamps (Métis); married: 1872 at Qu'Appelle to Philomene Fournier; children living: Judith; Nancy; Marie Emilie and Isabelle; children deceased: Chrisostome and Cuthbert; scrip for \$240.00; claim no. 1212.

Pelletier (Pelloche), Cuthbert. (b. 1846)

Cuthbert was born circa 1846 at St. François Xavier, the son of Charles Pelletier (b. 1788) and Suzanne Bercier. He married Elizabeth Swain, the daughter of John Swain and Marie Marguerite Allary in 1872 at St. Laurent (South Saskatchewan River). They had eleven children born at Duck Lake, Cypress Hills, Swift Current, Lebret and Lestock. Their children were :

- Edward, married Adelaïde Boucher.
- Marie Rose, born 1873 at Duck Lake.
- Roger, born 1876 at Cypress Hills, married Catherine Chenail.
- Isabelle, born 1879 at Swift Current, died 1884.

- Norman, born 1881 at Cypress Hills.
- Felix, born 1883 at Qu'Appelle, died 1888.
- Marie Emerise, born 1886 at Lebret, married Solomon Boucher.
- Josephine, born 1889 at Lestock.
- Helen, born 1891 married Severe Poitras.
- Andre, born 1896 at Lestock, died 1896.
- Felix Paul, born 1896 at Lestock, married Christina Desjarlais.

Affidavit of Pelletier, Cuthbert; born: 1844; occupation: voyageur, St. François Xavier; father: Charles Pelletier (Métis); mother Susanne Bercier (Métis); claim no. 5866; grant no. 6121.

Pelletier, Cuthbert; heir to his deceased children; Isabelle, born: 1879 at Swift Current; died: 20 February, 1884; Felix, born: 27 October, 1883 at Qu'Appelle; died: July, 1888; address: Touchwood Hills; father: Cuthbert Pelletier (Métis and deponent); mother: Betsy Swan (Métis); scrip cert.: form no. 274, Isabelle; scrip cert.: form F, no. 276, Felix; claim no. 843.

Pelletier, Roger; address: Touchwood Hills; born: February, 1877 at Cypress Hills; father: Cuthbert Pelletier (Métis); mother: Betsy Swan (Métis); scrip cert.: form E, no. 602; claim no. 850.

Pelletier, Norman; address: Touchwood Hills; born: 1881 at Cypress Hills; father: Cuthbert Pelletier (Métis); mother: Betsy Swan (Métis); scrip cert.: form E, no. 600; claim no. 849.

Pelletier, Cuthbert. (b. 1864)

Cuthbert was born at Lac la Biche, the son of Jean Baptiste Pelletier and Madeleine Deschamps. At age 12, he was the youngest of five brothers who signed this petition. His wife's name was Veronique. The family were members of the Turtle Mountain Band where they appear on the Band Census of 1888. They had four children.

Pelletier (Pelloche), Edouard. (b. 1836)

Edouard was born on February 1, 1836 at St. François Xavier, the son of Charles Pelletier (b. 1788) and Suzanne Bercier. Edouard first married Catherine Rocheblave, the daughter of François Rocheblave and Judith Marie Desjarlais. They had one daughter, Louise, born in 1861. Edouard then married Madeleine Morin, the daughter of Jean Baptiste Morand and Marie Dubois in 1866 at SFX. They had 12 children

born at SFX, Lebret, Fish Creek, Wood Mountain, Cypress Hills, and Pheasant Creek. Their son, Napoleon (b. 1866) signed this petition as well.

Métis Scrip :

Pelletier, Edouard; address: Fort Qu'Appelle; born: 1834 at St. François Xavier to Madeleine Morin; children living: François, Marie Rose, Edouard, William, Samuel and Joseph Remi (by second wife); children deceased: Lizette, Napoleon, Alexandre, Jean Marie, Thérèse and Joseph; scrip for \$160.00; claim no. 1204 Xavier; father: Charles Pelletier (deceased Métis); mother: Susanne Bercier (Métis); married: in 1856 at St. François Xavier to Madeleine Morin; children living: François, Marie Rose, Edouard, William, Samuel and Joseph Remi (by second wife); children deceased: Lizette, Napoleon, Alexandre, Jean Marie, Thérèse and Joseph; scrip for \$160.00; claim no. 1204 Xavier to Catherine Rocheblanc & in 1863 at St. François Xavier to Madeleine Morin; children living: François, Marie Rose, Edouard, William, Samuel and Joseph Remi (by second wife); children deceased: Lizette, Napoleon, Alexandre, Jean Marie, Thérèse and Joseph; scrip for \$160.00; claim no. 1204.

Pelletier, Edouard; for his deceased children: Jean Marie, born: 1875 at Long Lake; died: February, 1878; Therese, born: 24 January, 1877 at Cypress Hills; died: February, 1878; Louise, born: 8 June, 1884 at Pheasant Creek; died: February, 1885; Joseph, born: 13 October, 1880 at Pheasant Creek; died: 13 April, 1886; Napoleon, born: 1870 at Souris; died: 3 June, 1884; address: Touchwood Hills; father: Edouard Pelletier (Métis and deponent); mother: Madeleine Morin (Métis); file ref. 1668821; claim no. 837.

Pelletier, Felicite. (b. 1852)

Felicite was born on July 24, 1852, the daughter of Joseph Pelletier (b. 1825) and Louise St. Denis. She married Alexander Swain, the son of John Swain and Marie Marguerite Allary in 1870 at Lebret.

Pelletier, Jean Baptiste. (b. 1846)

Baptiste was one of the Métis at Fort Walsh who submitted a petition, on behalf of the Métis of the four districts of Assiniboia to join Treaty 4, on September 7, 1876.

Jean Baptiste Pelletier dit Pelka was born at St. François Xavier. He was the son of Jean Baptiste Wa-sa-ko-teh Pelletier (b. 1825) and Madeleine Deschamps. Jean Baptiste married Caroline Sanderson at Lebret Mission on April 28, 1873. She was the daughter of George Sanderson and Mary Whitford. She had first been married to

Charles Bird and Captain William Kennedy. This family was also part of the Turtle Mountain Band. Their children were:

- Caroline, born 1874 at Fort Qu'Appelle, she later moved to Dunseith, North Dakota.
- Alexandre, born in 1875 at Lebret. He too moved to Dunseith, North Dakota.
- Marie Virginie, born in 1877 at Fort Qu'Appelle, she married Louis Descouteaux in 1898 and they too lived at Dunseith, North Dakota.
- Joseph, born in 1879 at Wood Mountain, he died in 1894 and is believed to be buried on Turtle Mountain Reserve in North Dakota.
- Helene, born 1880 at Qu'Appelle, she married a Landry.
- Eliza, born circa 1881, and died at age 11 after being enumerated at Turtle Mountain.
- Anne Emilia, born at Wood Mountain in 1882, she married James Descoteaux and they also lived at Dunseith, North Dakota.
- Jerome, born in 1884 in North Dakota and a member of the Turtle Mountain Band.
- Rosalie, born in 1884 at Broadview Saskatchewan, died at two days of age.

Jean Baptiste is then reported to have married a woman named Pauline at Turtle Mountain before 1889. They were enumerated on the Turtle Mountain Reserve in 1888 and at that time had three children:

- Clemence, born 1889.
- Alexandre, born 1892.
- Baptiste, born 1900.

Pelletier, Jean Baptiste; heir to his deceased children: Joseph, born: 1879 at Wood Mountain; died: 1894; Rosalie, born: 1884 at Broadview; died: 2 days old at Broadview; address: Dunseith, North Dakota; father: Jean Baptiste Pelletier (Métis and deponent); mother: Caroline Sanderson (Métis); scrip cert.: form D, nos. 790 and 792; claim no. 928.

Pelletier, Jean Baptiste. (b. 1856)

Jean Baptiste was born on January 17, 1856 at St. François Xavier, the son of Antoine Pelletier (b.c. 1824) and Julie Fournier. Jean Jr. married Caroline Allary, the daughter of Pierre Henry dit Allary and Angelique Parisien, in 1879 at St. Boniface.

Pelletier, Leonille. (b.1865)

Leonille was born on March 21, 1865, at St. François Xavier, the daughter of Alphonse Pelletier (b. 1838) and Madeleine Desjarlais. She married Andre Houle, the son of François Houle and Marguerite Gariepy in 1882 at Milk River.

Pelletier, Marie Madeleine. (b. 1845)

Marie was born on June 24, 1845 at Pembina, the daughter of Pierre Pelletier (b. 1824) and Angelique Contois. Marie Madeleine married Louis Lafontaine, the son of Jean Baptiste Lafontaine and François Martin before 1868.

Pelletier, Marguerite. (b. 1851)

Marguerite Pelletier was born on September 22, 1851, at Qu'Appelle Mission, Lebret, the daughter of Pierre Pelletier (b. 1824) and Angelique Contois. She was first married to Gabriel Hamelin before 1871, and then married Leonide Gariepy, the son of Louis Gariepy and Marie Cardinal in 1875 at Lebret. She died in 1880 at Milk River, Hill County, Montana.

Pelletier, Nancy "Anne". (b. 1843)

Nancy was born on March 23, 1843 at St. François Xavier, the daughter of Charles Pelletier (b. 1788) and Suzanne Bercier. She married Antoine Rocheblave, the son of Antoine Rocheblave and Judith Marie Desjarlais in 1861 at St. François Xavier.

Pelletier (Pelloche), Napoléon. (b. 1866)

Napoleon was born on November 6, 1866, the son of Edouard Pelletier (b. 1836) and Madeleine Morin. He died at Lebret in June of 1884.

Pelletier, Edouard; for his deceased children: Jean Marie, born: 1875 at Long Lake; died: February, 1878; Therese, born: 24 January, 1877 at Cypress Hills; died: February, 1878; Louise, born: 8 June, 1884 at Pheasant Creek; died: February, 1885; Joseph, born: 13 October, 1880 at Pheasant Creek; died: 13 April, 1886; Napoleon, born: 1870 at Souris; died: 3 June, 1884; address: Touchwood Hills; father: Edouard Pelletier (Métis and deponent); mother: Madeleine Morin (Métis); file ref. 1668821; claim no. 837.

Pelletier (Pelloche), Paul. (b. 1843)

Paul was the son of Pierre Pelletier dit Assiniboine (b. 1816) and Josephthe Deschamps, he was born in 1843 at Pembina, Dakota Territory, but baptised at St. François Xavier. He married Louise Gonneville (b. 1851) in 1871 at Lebret

Mission. She was the daughter of Alexis Gonneville and Josephette Trottier. This too was a family who were part of the Turtle Mountain Band. Paul farmed there and is listed in the Band Census in 1910. They had the following children;

- Larose, born in 1872 at St. François Xavier.
- Isidore, born in 1874 at Winnipeg.
- François, born in 1875 at Lebret, he lived at Dunseith, North Dakota.
- St. Pierre, born in 1878 at Swift Current.
- Joseph, born in 1880 at Fort Qu'Appelle, he died in 1900.
- Jean Baptiste, born in 1883 at Fort Qu'Appelle but baptised at Willow Bunch.
- Robert, born in 1885 at Fort Qu'Appelle, also baptised at Willow Bunch.
- Alfred, born in 1887, a Turtle Mountain Band Member.
- Mary Rosine, born in 1889, a Turtle Mountain Band Member.
- Alexander, born in 1892, a Turtle Mountain Band Member.
- Georgina, born in 1895.

Pelletier, Paul; address: Fort Qu'Appelle; born: 1843 at St. François Xavier; father: Pierre Pelletier (Métis); mother: Josephette Deschamps (Métis); married: 1871 at Qu'Appelle to Louise Gonneville; children living: LaRose, Isidore, François, St. Pierre, Jean Baptiste and Robert; children deceased: 1; scrip for \$240.00; claim no. 1213.

Pelletier, Therese. (b.1833)

Therese was born on October 14, 1833 at St. Boniface, the daughter of Charles Pelletier (b. 1788) and Suzanne Bercier. She married Pierre Lemire, the son of Joseph Lemire and Julie Martin in 1858 at St. François Xavier.

Pelletier (Pelloche), William. (b. 1860)

Emilien Pelletier was born at St. François Xavier on November 4, 1860, the son of Alexis Pelletier (b. 1813) and Louise Houle. Emilien married Caroline Laframboise, the daughter of Jean Baptiste Laframboise and Elise Thomas. Their son William Jr, called Heli, was born in 1856 near Medicine Hat.

Pelletier, William for his living son Heli (William) Pelletier; address: Medicine Hat; born: 1885 near Medicine Hat; father: William Pelletier (Métis and deponent); mother: Caroline Laframboise (Métis); scrip cert.: form C, no. 704; claim no. 1126.

Poitras, David Tobie. (1834-1898)

David Poitras was the son of Pierre Poitras and Marie Bruyere, born at Red River on May 11, 1834. He married Magdeliene Gesson dit St. Denis. His brother had served on Riel's Council in 1870 and his cousin Jean was married to Riel's sister, Henrietta. During the Resistance David had been charged with illegal possession of property but was dismissed on this charge by Judge Rouleau on July 26, 1885.⁷³ In a letter to his mother from Fort Belknap in 1879 Louis Riel mentions meeting David Poitras, his father "Pierrette" Poitras and Pierre's brother's Joseph and Gabriel Poitras.

Poitras, Eliza. (b. 1843)

Eliza was born on October 25, 1843, the daughter of Pierre Poitras (b. 1812) and Marie Bruyere. She married Gabriel Leveille, the son of Pierre Leveille and Julie McKenzie in 1864 at St. François Xavier. Later she married Pierre Cyr in 1885 at Duhamel.

Poitras, François. (b. 1825)

François was born on February 17, 1825 at Fort Ellice, the son of Andre Poitras⁷⁴ and Marguerite Grant. He married Madeleine Fisher, the daughter of Henry Munroe Fisher and Marguerite Laframboise in 1850 at Pembina, North Dakota.

Poitras, Gabriel "Su Serde Surret". (b. 1820)

Gabriel was the son of Andre Henri Poitras Jr. and Marguerite Grant (b. 1790 at Qu'Appelle). He married Isabelle Malaterre, daughter of Jean Baptiste Malaterre and Angelique Adam, on February 1, 1842, at St. François Xavier. Gabriel Poitras' wife, Isabelle Malaterre, was the sister of Marie Malaterre, who was Louis Riel's wife's mother. Gabriel's brother, Pierre, was a member of Louis Riel's provisional government of 1870. . Gabriel signed the 1878 Cypress Hills Métis Hunting Band petition for a reserve as did his brother-in-law Louis Malaterre He was a member of the Turtle Mountain Band who signed the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians agreement with P.J.

⁷³ Douglas Light, 1987: 512.

⁷⁴ Andre Poitras was a NWC clerk in 1804-05 posted in Qu'Appelle and at Fort L'Esperance (Beaver Creek).

McCumber on October 22, 1892 at the Belcourt Agency. Gabriel and Isabelle appear on the Turtle Mountain Band Census from 1884 to 1892.

Scrip affidavit for Poitras, Gabriel; born: July, 1820; father: Poitras (French Canadian); mother: Marguerite Grant (Métis); claim no: 2654; scrip no: 12226; date of issue: Apr. 20, 1877; amount: \$160

Poitras, Isabelle. (b. 1843)

Isabelle was born on January 21, 1843, at St. François Xavier, the daughter of Gabriel Poitras Sr. (b. 1820) and Isabelle Malaterre. She married Modeste McGillis, the son of Alexandre McGillis and Marguerite Bottineau in 1866 at St. François Xavier.

Poitras, Jean Baptiste. (b. 1865)

Jean Baptiste Poitras was born at St. François Xavier, the son of Ignace Poitras and Helene McGillis. He died on August 14, 1885 at Batoche. He was one of four Poitras brothers who fought during the 1885 Resistance. He died at age 20 on August 14, 1885 at Batoche.

Poitras dit Beaucasque, Joseph. (b. 1818)

Joseph was born in 1818, the son of Andre Poitras and Cuthbert Grant's sister Marguerite Grant.⁷⁵ He married Susanne Laverdure, the daughter of Alexie Laverdure and Angelique Montour. She was born 1820 in Northwest Territories. He listed himself as a plains hunter. Joseph was a Turtle Mountain Band member.

Poitras, Marie Madeleine. (b. 1840)

Marie was born on January 8, 1840, the daughter of Joseph Poitras (b. 1818) and Suzanne Laverdure. She first married Joseph Lafournaise, the son of Jean Baptiste Lafournaise and Marguerite Gosselin in 1858 at Pembina. She then married William Klyne, the son of Michel Klyne and Madeleine Beauchemin in 1871 at St. Boniface. She died in 1909 at Willow Bunch.

Poitras, Marie Rose. (b. 1867)

Marie was born on December 25, 1867 at St. François Xavier, the daughter of Gabriel Poitras (b. 1820) and Isabelle Malaterre. She married to Alexandre Canada dit Henault, the son of Alexander Canada dit Henault and Catherine

⁷⁵ Marguerite was the daughter of Cuthbert Grant Sr. and Utminiwas. She was born 1790 in Qu'Appelle, and died April 09, 1866 in St Boniface.

Davis in 1886. Thus she was present with her family when this petition was signed and later married one of the men of the brigade.

Poitras, Rosalie. (b. 1852)

Rosalie was born on August 26, 1852 at Rat Creek, the daughter of Gabriel Poitras (b. 1820) and Isabelle Malaterre. She married Charles Bonneau, the son of Pierre Bonneau and Louise Gariepy in 1870 at St. François Xavier. She died in 1885 at age 33.

Poitras, Solomon (1867)

Solomon was the son of David Poitras and Magdeleine St. Denis. Note that he signed as an eleven year old.

Poitras, Termie. (b. 1842)

Theodore Poitras was the son of Pierre Poitras and Marie Bruyere. He married Cecile Lafournaise, the daughter of Jean Baptiste Lafournaise and Marguerite Gosselin. Her brothers Jerome and William also signed this petition.

Primeau, Marguerite. (b.1836)

Marguerite was born at Fort Alexandre, the daughter of Joseph Primeau (b. 1820) and Marguerite Stevenson. She married Eustache Berard, the son of Louis Berard and Catherine Hughes in 1854 at St. Boniface.

Racette, Augustin (b. 1835)

Augustin was the son of Augustin Racette Sr. and Suzanne Groulx. He married Madeleine Parenteau, the daughter of Joseph Parenteau and Suzanne Daigneault.

Racette, Jean Baptiste dit Dos Croche. (1832)

Jean Baptiste Racette was the son of George Racette⁷⁶ (b.c. 1801) and François

⁷⁶ In 1873, George, with several others, established a "Council" in the Qu'Appelle Valley with the intent of forming a government. Due to their lack of formal education they sent for Louis Riel to assist them in this. Georges was also present at the Treaty Four negotiations. It was rumored on December 3, 1869, that George Racette a Métis trader who had been active with the Sioux for many years was on his way to the Settlement at the head of 1,100 Sioux. Racette⁷⁶ was a close associate of Dr. Schultz and it was generally believed that Schultz and the "Canada First" group had induced Racette to mobilize the Sioux. Alexander Begg speculated that Racette was a confederate of Dr. Schultz (who also had great influence with the Sioux) and "Schultz may have used Racette to make contact with the Sioux, or Racette may have anticipated his supposed wishes." On March 14, 1870, Racette advertised land near the Souris and Long Rivers as official agent for Chief Red Stone (Assiniboine) and Chief White Cap (Dakota Sioux).

Guilbeau. "Baptiste Racette, whose name appeared on the Cypress Hills Petition of 1878 had already "made up his mind to become an Indian" and had taken treaty annuity in 1875."⁷⁷

In the Canada Census of 1881 Jean Baptiste is recorded with his wife Frisine living at Cypress Hills in Household # 44. Their children are listed as: LaRose (14), St. Pierre (10) and Julie (4).

Baptiste appears as #10 on the Cowessess Band list. In 1877, Baptiste, his wife and children took annuity payments at Cypress Hills as members of Little Child's (Cowessess) Band.

Baptiste married Euphrosine Versailles, the daughter of Pierre Versailles and Joseph Le-tendre. Their son, Joseph Racette (b. 1859) was a band member of Cowessess but later withdrew from Treaty. Baptiste's brother Joseph Racette dit Manandje (b. 1830) was married to Isabelle Wapenotokaw the daughter of Wemitek and Awahan. They were Duck Lake Band members. Both families were long time hunters in the Cypress Hills area.

Robillard, Chrysostôme. (b. 1862)

Chrysostôme was born on January 18, 1862, the son of Jean Baptiste Robillard and Isabelle Comptois. He married Françoise Caroline Blondeau, daughter of Simon Blondeau and Françoise Desjarlais in 1885 at Lebret.

Robillard, Marie. (b. 1847)

Marie was born on May 25, 1847, the daughter of Jean Baptiste Robillard (b. 1820) and Catherine Ducharme. She married Joseph Villbrun, the son of Louis Villbrun and Louise Collin in 1864 at St. Boniface.

Rocheblave, Adelaide.

Adelaide was the daughter of Thomas Rocheblave (b. 1832) and Therese Desmarais. She married Ambroise Lapierre, the son of Antoine Lapierre and Catherine Gagnon in 1879 at St. Peter's Mission, Montana.

Rocheblave, Antoine.

Antoine was born before 1840, the son of François Rocheblave and Judith Marie Desjarlais. He married Nancy Pelletier⁷⁸ the daughter of Charles Pelletier and Suzanne Bercier on September 3, 1861 at St. François Xavier. Their

daughters Isabelle and Marie were married to brothers; Charles Malaterre and John Malaterre who were also part of this hunting brigade. Antoine was a Headman of Muscowequan Band.

Ross, Elizabeth. (b. 1846)

Elizabeth was born on March 25, 1846 at St. François Xavier, the daughter of Hugh Ross (b. 1783) and Sarah Short. She married Michel Leclerc dit Allard, the son of Ambroise Allard and Marguerite Chalifoux in 1862 at St. François Xavier.

Ross, Pierre. (b. 1859)

Pierre was born on June 24, 1859, the son of Roderick Ross and Marie Delorme. He married Betsy Welsh, the daughter of Daniel Welsh (b. 1835) and Louise Collin (b. 1836). His sister Rose Ross (b. 1857) was married to Gregoire Wills; they were also with this hunting brigade.

Ross, Roderick. (b. 1829)

Roderick was a St. François Xavier trader, the son of Hugh Ross and Sarah Short. He married Marie Delorme the daughter of Urbain Delorme and Madeleine Vivier. Their daughter Rose was married to Gregoire Wills (Welsh). Roderick later married Suzanne Pelletier, the daughter of Charles Pelletier and Suzanne. Their twins son William Ross and daughter Marie Emerise were born January 22, 1872 at Cypress Hills. Daughter Agnes Ross was born in 1884 at Qu'Appelle.

He became a resident at Lebret near the Catholic Mission.

Ross, Marie Rose. (b. 1861)

Marie Rose was born on August 13, 1861, at Qu'Appelle, the daughter of John Ross (b. 1832) and Marguerite Grant (the daughter of Cuthbert Grant and Marie McGillis). She married Pierre Lafournaise, the son of Jean Baptiste Lafournaise and Marguerite Gosselin, in 1880 at Duck Lake.

Ross, Rose. (b. 1857)

Rose was born on June 4, 1857, the daughter of Roderick Ross (b. 1829) and Marie Delorme. She married Gregoire Wills, the son of Edouard Wills and Isabelle McGillis in 1876 at Lebret and was then married to Alexandre Pelletier Jr., the son of Joseph Pelletier and Louise St. Denis in 1871 at Lebret.

Ross, Veronique. (b. 1858)

⁷⁷ Sherry Farrell Racette, op. cit. p. 59.

⁷⁸ Nancy's siblings, Therese (Lemire), Cuthbert Pelletier, Edouard Pelletier and Jean Baptiste Pelletier were also part of this hunting brigade.

Veronique was born on November 4, 1858, the daughter of Charles Ross (b. 1835) and Marguerite Allard. She married St. Pierre Laverdure. St. Pierre was born in 1863, at Little Rocky Mountains, the son of Joseph Laverdure and Marie Martel. St. Pierre subsequently married Eliza Primeau, the daughter of Jeremie Primeau and Marguerite Allard. This family appears in the Turtle Mountain Band census. He signed the 1892 McCumber Agreement. In 1878, Leon and other Métis buffalo hunters at Cypress Hills wrote a petition asking for a special Métis reserve of land.

Ross, Urbain. (b. 1865)

Urbain, born February 4, 1865 at SFX, was also the son of Roderick Ross and Marie Delorme.

Ross, William. (b. 1851)

William Ross was born on June 4, 1851 at St. François Xavier, the son of Donald Ross (b. 1822) and Catherine Delorme. He married Marie Lefort, the daughter of François Toussaint Lefort and Eliza Laplante in 1870 at St. François Xavier. William was a plains hunter from St. François Xavier. His cousin Roderick Ross is listed above. In the 1881 Canada Census William and Marie and son Billy (4 months) are recorded as Household # 32. He lists his occupation as "farmer."

Sanderson, James Francis. (1848-1902)

Interpreter, businessman, rancher, and author; James was born March 23, 1848 at Athabasca Landing, Alberta, the son of James Sanderson and Elizabeth Anderson a Métis. He became a well-known rancher, entrepreneur and writer in the Medicine Hat area. His older brother was George William Sanderson of the Portage la Prairie area. His father worked for the Hudson's Bay Company out of York factory for more than ten years. His mother was the daughter of Métis trader John Anderson. After his father's death his mother re-married William Sutherland and they moved with their children to Portage la Prairie. During the 1869-70 Resistance Sanderson was part of the militia group called the "Portage Gang" under Major Charles Boulton. During a foray into Winnipeg in 1870 to release some of Riel's prisoners, the Sandersons were captured and incarcerated, then released unharmed. Their family was among the small group of Anglophone mixed-bloods who were plains buffalo hunters.

On Sept. 16, 1872, James married Maria McKay, the Métis daughter of Edward McKay a freeman living at the Red River Settlement. In 1872, Sanderson and his wife accompanied her family on a move to the Cypress Hills area. In 1875 he began employment with the N.W.M.P. as an interpreter. He was also a meat and hay procurer for the police. To this end, he brought a herd of cattle from Montana to supply them as the buffalo were disappearing from the plains. He signed a petition for a Métis reserve in Montana, sent by Louis Riel to General Nelson A. Miles, August 6, 1880.

In the Canada Census of 1881 James and Maria were recorded as household # 36 in Cypress Hills. He gives his occupation as "farmer." Listed in the census are their children; Clara (8), Owen (6), Duncan (4) and Marie (2).

With the advent of the building of the CPR through Alberta, the McKays and Sandersons moved to Medicine Hat in 1882. Sanderson worked for the Medicine Hat detachment of the NWMP as liaison with the Indians. When the railhead reached them in 1883, he signed on as a freighter and general contractor. He bought land near the village for his cattle herd and racehorses and also began to promote horse racing in the area. He also started hiring crews of young Métis to pick buffalo bones. In 1889 he became agent for the local coal mine, took on the railway ice contract in 1892 and was made district wolf inspector in 1894. During the 1890s he built a large livery stable to support his freighting and road contracting services.

Sanderson was a long-time advocate for the rights of Native people, in 1896 he successfully petitioned for reserves for the homeless Plains Cree wandering between Maple Creek and Medicine Hat. He was considered an expert on Native cultures and published a series of articles in the *Medicine Hat News* in 1894 entitled "Indian Tales of the Canadian Prairies."

He was active in local community activities. He became founder and the first president of the agricultural society in 1894, and headed the Irrigation League in 1894. He was also president of the local stock growers association (1896-1898), His stories "Indian Tales of the Canadian Prairies," were republished by W.B. Fraser in the *Alberta Historical Review*, Vol. 13, No. 5, 1965: 7-24.

Roussin, Caroline. (b. 1858)

Caroline was born at Fort Pelly, the daughter of Paulette or Paul Roussin and Marie Anne

McLeod. She was married: in the spring of 1875 at Buffalo Lake to Napoleon Ledoux.

Roussin, Caroline; address: Batoche P.O. [Post Office]; born: 1858 at Fort Pelly; father: Paulette or Paul Roussin (deceased; Métis); mother: Marie Anne McLeod (deceased Métis); married: Spring, 1875 at Buffalo Lake to Napoleon Ledoux; children living: Marie, Jean Marie, Louis and Joseph; children deceased: Angelique; scrip for \$240.00; claim no. 1128.

Scrip Certificate No. 644 Form B for \$26.66 Caroline Roussain an heir of Basil Ledoux, widow of Napoleon Ledoux in satisfaction of claim of Caroline Roussain her children Marie, Jean Marie, Louis, Joseph.

Delorme, Caroline; for her deceased children: Angélique, born: July, 1877 at mouth of Swift Current Creek; died: when 3 months old; Marie, born: May, 1878 at mouth of Swift Current Creek; died: October, 1885 at Batoche; Jean Marie, born: 12 June, 1880 at Fort Walsh; died: 1891 at Fort Assiniboine; address: Clear Creek, Montana; father: Napoleon Ledoux (Métis); mother: Caroline Roussin (Métis and deponent); heirs: Caroline Delorme (deponent), scrip cert.: form D, nos. 1142, 1148 for \$80.00each and scrip cert.: form F, no. 346 for 80 acres; Louise Ledoux, scrip cert.: form D no. 1144 and 1150; for \$80.00 each and scrip cert.: form F, no. 348; for 80 acres each; Joseph Ledoux, scrip cert.: form D, nos. 1146 and 1152; for \$80.00 each and scrip cert.: form F, no. 350 for 80 acres; claim no. 1162.

St. Denis, Catherine (b. 1841)

Caroline was born on July 8, 1841, the daughter of François St. Denis and Sophia Lyons. She married Andre, St. Germaine, the son of François St. Germain and Louise Morand in 1859 at St. François Xavier.

St. Denis, Eliza (b. 1860)

Eliza married Bernard Thomas (b. 1859), the son of Joseph Thomas and Marie Adele Wakitipik, in 1879 at Cypress Hills. She died in 1900 at Glasgow, Montana.

Thomas, Bernard; address: Cypress Hills; born: 1860 at Qu'Appelle Valley; father: Joseph Thomas (Métis); mother: Marie Adele (Indian); married: 1879 at Cypress Hills to Eliza; St. Denis; children living: Marie Euphrasine, Marguerite, Louis and 1 not christened; scrip for \$240.00; claim no. 837.

To know if Eliza St. Denis daughter of Pierre St. Denis and Adelaide Dauphinais,

born in 1853 is entitled to HB Scrip. SE¼ and S½ of NE¼ 14-10-3 W1.

Thomas, Louis; address: Glasgow, Montana; born: May, 1884; father: Bernard Thomas (Métis); mother: Eliza St. Denis (Métis); scrip cert.: form E, no. 38; file ref. 569317; claim no. 40.

St. Pierre, Isabelle. (b. 1837)

Isabelle was the daughter of François St. Pierre (b. 1788) and Marie Laverdure. She married Elzear Bottineau, the son of Joseph Bottineau and Angelique Cardinal in 1861 at St. Joseph's.

Sanderson, Caroline. (b. 1841)

Caroline was the daughter of George Sanderson (b. 1823) and Mary Whitford. She was first married to Charles Bird in 1862, then was common-law with Captain William Kennedy, then married to Jean Baptiste Pelletier, the son of Jean Baptiste Pelletier and Madeleine Deschamps in 1873 at Lebret.

Shakote, Jean

Short, Louise. (b. 1847)

Louise was the daughter of James Short (b. 1811) and Charlotte Gladu. She married Andre St. Germain, the son of François St. Germain and Louise Morand in 1863 at St. François Xavier.

Sinclair, William. (b. 1850)

William was born at Pembina in 1850, the son of James Sinclair and Catherine Trottier. Catherine's father, Michel Trottier and brothers, Alex and Andre were also part of this hunting group.

Smalemie, Pierre

Soan, William Sr.

See entry under William Swan or Swain born in 1838.

Soan, William Jr.

See entry under William Swan or Swain born in 1861

Sparvie, Sparvey (Hawk), Jean Baptiste. (b. 1860)

Jean Baptiste Sparvey (Hawk) was a Chipewewa Métis. His father was Cokwekwanep (Last Feather). His grandfather was Kitchi kexkex "Big Sparvey" (Hawk) from the White Earth Reserve in Minnesota. Jean Baptiste was born

near Scobie, Montana on the Poplar River in north eastern Montana about 15 miles south of the US-Canada border. When his father and uncle were hunting between the Cypress Hills and the Little Rocky Mountains they became associated with the Cowessess Band who also hunted in that area. The Sparvier or Spervier family eventually took treaty and lived on the Cowessess Reserve at Crooked Lake. Jean Baptiste was married to Genevieve LeRat. Genevieve took discharge from treaty on June 13, 1890. Genevieve's brother Zacharie LeRat also signed this petition. Zackarie became "Chief of the Half Breeds" at Cowessess where his relatives still live. He married Marie Landry the daughter of Pierre Landry and Madeleine Chadron.

Dr. D.G. Mandelbaum interviewed Jean Baptiste on June 24, 1934:

"This man is a Halfbreed belonging to the Otcapawes band. By Halfbreed is meant some percentage of white blood. He is of a striking appearance having a full white beard trimmed like King George's; his features are non-Indian; he has a skin that is pinkish white with great brown blotches on each upper cheek. I believe this skin condition is called albino pigmentation.

He said that his father was a full-blood Chippewa, Cokwekwanep, "Last Feather,"⁷⁹ and was born somewhere in Minnesota. When he was very small his parents both died and his brother took him west, first to Grand Forks then to Pembina, then to Winnipeg. The year before the first rebellion [1868] his father and uncle went west through Montana, following the buffalo and J.B. was born near Scobie.

For about four years his father and his uncle lived between Cypress Hills and the Little Rockies. At Cypress Hills they became associated with the Kauwises band. Kauwises must have been related to his father because they knew each other and called each other by a term indicating relationship on the maternal side. One of Kauwises' daughters, Sophie, danced at the Sundance.

Twenty-four years ago [1910] J.B. went back to the States. At the White Earth Reserve in Minnesota he found people who knew his grandfather and were related to him. His name was Kitci-kexkexk, "Big Sparvey" (Hawk). His uncle's name was Nasehigau, "Brown Sugar" (in

⁷⁹ "The Last Feather" is listed second to Little Child (Cowessess) on the 1877 annuity payments list when the band was paid at Cypress Hills.

Chippewa). Brown Sugar was Norbert's father. Norbert [Sparvier] had come in and was listening. J.B. and Norbert are Kexkexk Kosah -- fourth generation Hawks. (This may be remnant of totemic insignia.)

There was some difference in speech between his father and his uncle. His uncle spoke real Chippewa while his father had come West at so young an age that he spoke more like the Sotos [Saulteaux]. Thus J.B.'s uncle would say ka' for no; his father, kawin.

When the treaty was made his father said to Kauwises that he would be stealing if he took Canadian money and settled down on a reserve in Canada, since he was a United States Indian. But Kauwises said that if he should try to get back to Minnesota in a Red River cart, all they had then, it would take two years and he couldn't help himself. So they asked advice of a priest, Father Sainte Germaine, and he said that if the Canadian government would give the money, he should take it.

The Kauwises band were first going to be settled near Cypress Hills but they figured that the land wasn't good enough there, and so they moved on here. At the time of moving, Two Voices brought two wagon loads of potatoes with him and soon after stole forty head of horses (from the Gros Ventre) and sold them in Brandon.

There are no Cree in the Kauwises band. They are called "halfbreeds" by the others."

Sparvie, Joseph Jr.

Sparvie (Sparvier), Joseph Sr. (b. 1834)

Joseph was born in 1834 and died at the Métis community of Marieval in 1905. He was married to Angelique Welsh.

Declaration of Joseph Spervier alias Ros-signal Re: his claim for a North-West Half-Breed Grant. 1886.

File RG15-D-II-1. Volume/box number: 504. File number: 141518. Copied container number: T-13182.

Sparvie, Paul

Sparvie (Sparvier), St. Pierre. (b. 1872)

St. Pierre was married to Maria Pelletier. St. Pierre later committed suicide while living on the Flat Head Reserve in Montana.

Sparvie (Sparvier), William

William was married to Angelique Pelletier (b.c. 1830), the daughter of Jean Baptiste Wa-sa-ko-teh Pelletier (b. 1825) and Madeleine Deschamps. Her brother Jean Baptiste Pelletier (b. 1846) also signed the Cypress Hills petition.

St. Denis, Célestin. (b. 1851)

Celestin was born in St. Norbert in 1851, the son of Jacques St. Denis and Genevieve Primeau dit Durand. He married Josephthe Houle b. 1849, the daughter of François Houle and Marguerite Josephthe Gariepy. Celestin's brother-in-law François Houle Jr. also signed this petition.

Scrip applications:

Houle, Josephthe - Concerning his claim as a child - Address, Maple Creek - Born, 1854 at St. François Xavier - Father, François Houle, (Métis) - Mother, Josephthe Gariepy, (Métis) - Married, Jan. 1872 at Carlton to Celestin St. Denis - Children living, four, François, Betsey, Norbert and St. Pierre - Scrip for \$240 - Claim 192

St. Denis, Célestin - Concerning his claim as a child - Address, Maple Creek P.O. [Post Office] - Born, 1851 at St. Norbert - Father, Jacques St. Denis, (French Canadian) - Mother, Genevieve Primeau, (Métis) - Married, January, 1872 at Carlton to Josephthe Houle - Children living, four (names on declaration) - Scrip for \$240 - Claim 190

St. Denis, Celestin; heir to his deceased unnamed son; address: near Maple Creek; born: April, 1880 at Cypress Hills; died: July, 1880 at Cypress Hills; father: Celestin St. Denis (Métis and deponent); mother: Josephthe Houle (Métis); scrip cert.: form F, no. 332; claim no. 1023.

St. Denis, Cuthbert (b. 1849)

Cuthbert was born on February 8, 1849 the son of François St. Denis and Sophia Lyons. He married Cecile Laviolette, the daughter of Charles Laviolette and Therese Moreau. The family was resident at Lebret.

St. Denis, Cuthbert; heir to his deceased son, Charles St. Denis; address: Qu'Appelle P.O. [Post Office]; born: September, 1868 at St. François Xavier; died: 30 March, 1884 at Qu'Appelle Mission; father: Cuthbert St. Denis (Métis and deponent); mother: Cecile Laviolette (Métis); scrip for \$240.00; claim no. 1313.

St. Denis, Michel. (b. 1843)

Michel was born in 1843 at St. Norbert but was a plains hunter out of St. François Xavier. He was the son of Jacques St. Denis and Genevieve Primeau dit Durand. He married Virginie Pelletier (b. 1843), the daughter of Alexis Pelletier and Louise Houle.

Scrip affidavit for St. Denis, Michel; born: 1843; father: Jacques St. Denis (French Canadian); mother: Genevieve Primeau (Métis); claim no: 2775; scrip no: 9901; date of issue: February 9, 1878; amount: \$160.

St. Denis, William - Concerning his claim as a child - Address, Maple Creek - Born, 1 January, 1868 at Battleford - Father, Michel St. Denis, (Métis) - Mother, Virginie Pelletier, (Métis) - Scrip for \$240 - Claim 194.

St. Denis, Michel; heir to his deceased children: Pierre; born: 1872 at Cypress Hills; died: 1898 in Flat Head County; Marie; born: 1874 at Fort Walsh; died: 1877 at McKay Creek; address: Havre, Montana; father: Michel St. Denis (Métis and deponent); mother: Virginie Pelletier (Métis); scrip cert.: form D, no. 1078, Pierre; scrip cert.: form D, no. 1080, Marie; claim no. 1060.

Bellegarde, Philomene; address: Box Elder, Montana; claim no. 1051; born: 2 April, 1876 at Fort Walsh; father: Michel St. Denis (Métis); mother: Virginie Pelletier (Métis); scrip cert.: form C, no. 636

St. Germain, André. (b. 1837)

Andre was born on December 20, 1837 at St. François Xavier, the son of François St. Germain and Louise Morand. Andre was a Turtle Mountain Band member. He married Catherine St. Denis; her brother Cuthbert also signed this petition. He then married Louise Short, daughter of James Short and Charlotte Gladu. They had eight children.

Swane (Swain), Alexandre. (b. 1849)

Alexandre Swain was the son of John Swain and Marguerite Allery. This was a buffalo hunting family enumerated at Pembina in 1850. Alexandre married Felicite Pelletier, the daughter of Joseph Pelletier and Louise St. Denis in 1870 at Lebret.

Swane (Swain), Jean Baptiste. (b. 1864)

Jean Baptiste was born on March 15 1864, the son of William Swain (b.c.1838) and Angélique Hamelin, the daughter of Joseph Hamelin and Thérèse Ducharme. He married Julienne Larance⁸⁰, born 1866 at St. Albert, the daughter of Basile Larance and Marguerite Desjardins on October 23, 1888 at St. Peter's Mission, Montana.

Baptiste signed the petition for a Métis reserve in Montana, sent by Louis Riel to General Nelson A. Miles, August 6, 1880. Baptiste and his wife Julia and daughters Rosa and Runie appear on the 1900 Montana Census for Teton County. They were members of the group of Métis living in the Canyon on the South Fork of the Teton River.

Swain (Swane), John "Natumeo". (1829-1885)

John Swain *dit* Natumeo was born at Lake Manitoba, the son of James Swain Sr. and Josephite Descoteaux. He was married to Louise Laverdure. The Riel family shared the house of his brother James Swain Jr. while living at St. Peter's Mission in Montana. John left Montana and accompanied Riel to Batoche in 1884.

John fought during the 1885 Resistance at Batoche and was killed on May 12, the last day of fighting. He is buried at St. Antoine de Padoue Cemetery, Batoche. John was a member of Captain Baptiste Boucher's company, one of the 19 *dizaines* led by Gabriel Dumont during the 1885 Métis Resistance.

Swane (Swain), John Natumeo. (1829-1885)

John Swain *dit* Natumeo was born at Lake Manitoba, the son of James Swain Sr. (b. 1808) and Josephite Descoteaux (b. 1805). He was married to Louise Laverdure, born October 12, 1830, the daughter of Joseph Laverdure (b. 1805) and his Métis wife, Nancy Duck (b. 1806). The couple were married on February 17, 1857 at St. François Xavier. In 1870, John and Louise were living on Lot 75 in St. Charles Parish with their children Nancy (born 1858), John (born 1859), Joseph (born 1860), Marie (born 1865) and, Amable (born 1869).

After Johnny Grant sold his Montana ranch to Conrad Kohrs in 1866 he left his family for several months while he searched for a new place to settle. Choosing the Carmen, Manitoba area, he returned to Deer Lodge. At Red River he

⁸⁰ Julie was first married to Dieudonne Courtepatte, the son of Jean Baptiste courtepatte dit LePoteau and Josephite Belcourt in 1886 at St. Albert.

hired twelve Métis to return with him to Montana and assist in the move. John Swain was one of the men he hired to assist him in bringing his large herd of horses and household back to Manitoba.

John fought during the 1885 Resistance at Batoche and was killed on May 12, the last day of fighting. He is buried at St. Antoine de Padoue Cemetery, Batoche. John was a member of Captain Baptiste Boucher's company, one of the 19 *dizaines* led by Gabriel Dumont during the 1885 Métis Resistance.

Swane (Swain), Kersore dit Elzear. (b. 1855)

Elzear Swain was born in 1855, the son of John Swain⁸¹ and Marguerite Allery. He married Justine Ducharme, the daughter of Jean Baptiste Ducharme and Magdeline Houle in 1874 at Duck Lake. They had six children, born at Lebret and Cypress Hills. He then married Caroline Schmidt. The daughter of Alfred Rabasca Schmidt and Marguerite Lesperance., they had three children all born at Prince Albert. He was a member of Captain Antoine Lafontaine's company, one of the 19 *dizaines* led by Gabriel Dumont during the 1885 Métis Resistance. Swain and Frederick Fidler deserted and surrendered at Prince Albert. Later, Swain was charged with treason felony but on August 4, 1885, was discharged by Magistrate Richardson.

Swain, William Sr.⁸² (b. 1838)

William was the son of John (Jean) Swain (b. 1818)⁸³ and Marguerite Allery. William married Angélique Hamelin (b. 1839), the daughter of Joseph Hamelin and Thérèse Ducharme on November 20, 1857 at St. François Xavier. In 1870 they were living in St. Charles Parish with children John (b. 1889), William (born 1861), Baptiste (born 1864) and Mary Louise (born 1865). Later, they had David, born 1876 at Duck Lake; Philomene, born 1879 at Cypress Hills and; Pierre, born 1882 at Duck Lake.

On November 19, 1883 William had signed a petition protesting the 1883 Order in Council transferring the Métis lands at St. Louis to the Prince Albert Colonization Company. (CSP, 1886, No. 45, pp. 25-28)

During the 1885 Resistance he was a member of Captain Baptiste Primeau's company, one of the 19 *dizaines* led by Gabriel Dumont during

⁸¹ See fn. 230.

⁸² A signator to the November 19th, 1883, William Bremmer petition from St. Louis de Langevin for a survey and patents to their land.

⁸³ See fn. 230.

the 1885 Métis Resistance. William was wounded during the fighting at Batoche. His son William Jr. and brother Thomas were also in the Resistance.

Swane (Swain), William. (b. 1861)

William Swain Jr. was born in October 1861, the son of William Swain and Angelique Hamelin. William married Marie Monias, the daughter of Moise Monias and Magdeleine in 1885 at Duck Lake.

Tait, Cuthbert (b. 1863)

Cuthbert Tait was born in 1863 in Souris River District; he was the son of Joseph Tait Sr. and Marguerite Desjarlais. The Tate's became band members of the Muscowequan Band. Cuthbert died October 1896 in Prince Albert district while crossing the North Saskatchewan River. He married Madeleine Lemire (b: November 20, 1870 at the Little Forks) she was baptized on November 30th 1870 in the Lebret Mission, Qu'Appelle Valley. They were married on October 12, 1886 in the Lebret Mission, Qu'Appelle Valley. She was the daughter of François Lemire and Françoise Birston.

Tate, Cuthbert; address: Maple Creek; born: 1863 at Souris River; father: Joseph Tate (Métis); mother: Marguerite Desjarlais (Métis); scrip for \$240; claim no. 43.

Tait (Tate), Joseph Jr.

Joseph Tait Jr. was the son of Joseph Tait Sr. and Marguerite Desjarlais. The Tate's became band members of the Muscowequan Band.

Tait (Tate), Joseph Sr. (b. 1826)

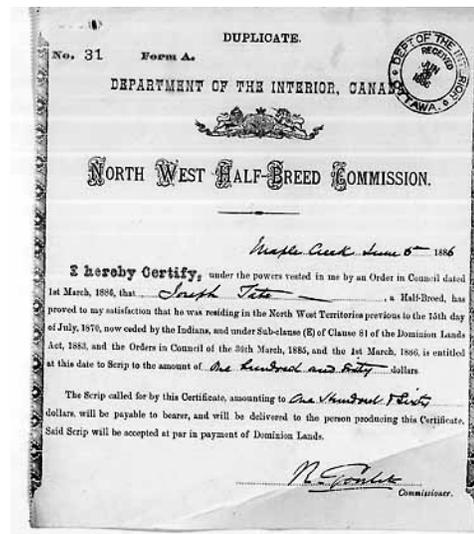
Joseph Tait, the son of James Tait and Sarah (Saulteaux). He became an Indian in the Muscowequan Band under Treaty Four in 1876 (Band member #7). In his Scrip application in 1885, Joseph states that he was born at Fort Lacorne in June 1826. He then lived after 1831 at St. Peter's Mission for twenty years. In 1851 he left to go to Fort Ellice where he was an HBC employee 1864 to 1867 and 1872-73. Afterward he went to the Qu'Appelle Valley and then Touchwood Hills and Maple Creek. In 1870 he was living at Fort Ellice. At the time of Scrip application he had been at Maple Creek for four years (i.e. from 1881). In 1844 at St. Peter's he married Marguerite Asham. In 1854 at St. François Xavier Joseph was married to Marguerite Desjarlais (b. 1833), the daughter of Jean Baptiste "Nishecabo" Desjarlais and Charlotte

Cardinal. Joseph Tate (Band #7) is shown as leaving treaty on May 20, 1886.

Scrip claims related to this family:

Garriepy, Julie; address: Maple Creek; claim no. 1099; born: 1875 at Qu'Appelle; father: Joseph Tait (Métis); mother: Marguerite Desjarlais (Métis); scrip cert.: form C, no. 678. Tait, Marguerite, for her deceased children: Catherine, born: 1873 at Qu'Appelle; died: 1874 at Qu'Appelle; Michel, born: at Regina in 1871; died: 1879 at Cypress Hills; address: Maple Creek; father: Joseph Tait (deceased Métis); mother: Marguerite Desjarlais (Métis); claim no. 1111.

Tate, Catherine; address: Maple Creek; born: Summer, 1870 at Fort Ellice; father: Joseph Tate (Métis); mother: Marguerite Desjarlais (Métis); scrip for \$240; claim no. 40.



Tait, Thomas

Thomas was the son of Joseph Tait Sr. and Marguerite Desjarlais. The Tate's became band members of the Muscowequan Band.

Teboure, Isaie

Teboure, William

Thomas dit Tomma, Bernard. (b. 1859)

Bernard was born in December 1859 at Qu'Appelle, the son of Joseph Thomas (b. 1816) and Marie Adele Wakitipik (Michel) born 1825.⁸⁴ Joseph Thomas was the brother to Chief

⁸⁴ Their children were: Marguerite Thomas, born 1840 in Qu'Appelle, Saskatchewan; married Alexander Ledoux on May 18, 1863 in St. François Xavier; Joseph Thomas, born 1840; Elise Thomas dite Roussin, born 1850 in Fort Pelly; married Jean Baptiste Laframboise on August 20, 1863 in St.

Gabriel Cote. Bernard and his brother Joseph (b. 1840) signed a petition for a Métis reserve in Montana, sent by Louis Riel to General Nelson A. Miles, August 6, 1880. Bernard was band member # 4 of Little Child's (Cowesses) Band but he subsequently withdrew from Treaty in 1886.

He married Eliza St. Denis (b. 1860) in 1879, at Cypress Hills. Eliza died in 1900 at Glasgow, Montana. Bernard's second marriage was to Marie Rosalie Gosselin. He died in 1927 at the Crow Agency. In his scrip application made at Battleford he says he was a freighter between Cypress Hills and Fort Assiniboine.

Bernard and Eliza St. Denis had the following children;

- Mary Rosalie, b. April 18, 1881 "on the prairie". She married Clement Wells in 1901 at Medicine Hat.

Thomas, Mary; address: Montana; born: 18 April, 1881 on the Prairie; father: Bernard Thomas (Métis); mother: Eliza St. Denis (Métis); scrip cert.: form E, no. 36; claim no. 39.

- Marguerite, b. November 1, 1884 at Sweetgrass, Montana. She married Louis Riel McGillis in 1900 at Willow Bunch. She died in 1950 at Glasgow.
- Louis, b. May 15, 1886 in Havre, Montana. He married Rose Dumont. He died at Chinook, Montana.

Thomas, Louis; address: Glasgow, Montana; born: May, 1884; father: Bernard Thomas (Métis); mother: Eliza St. Denis (Métis); scrip cert.: form E, no. 38; file ref. 569317; claim no. 40. Says he has been living in Glasgow since 1894.

- Mary Madeleine, b. August 28, 1889 in Sweetgrass, Montana. She married Robert Goodine in 1911 at Medicine Hat.

François Xavier; LaLouise Thomas dite Roussin, born 1847 in St. François Xavier, married David Boyer on September 6, 1866 in St. François Xavier; Charles Thomas, born 1848; François Thomas, born January 3, 1857; Bernard Thomas born December 1859 at Qu'Appelle; and Adelaide Thomas, born 1863 in Qu'Appelle.

- Frank, b. December 25, 1895 in Glasgow, Montana. He married Lucy Whiteman at the Crow Agency.

Bernard and Rosalie Gosselin had a son John Robert born October 23, 1907 at St. Xavier, Big Horn County, Montana. He married Angeline Delisi in 1930 at the Crow Agency. He died in 1985 at St. Xavier

Scrip

Thomas, Bernard; address: Cypress Hills; born: 1860 at Qu'Appelle Valley; father: Joseph Thomas (Métis); mother: Marie Adele (Indian); married: 1879 at Cypress Hills to Eliza; St. Denis; children living: Marie Euphrasine, Marguerite, Louis and 1 not christened; scrip for \$240.00; claim no. 837.

Scrip Certificate No. 699 Form B for \$22.85 in favour of Charles Thomas, an heir of Joseph Thomas.

Siblings Scrip:

Ledoux, Marguerite; address: Swift Current; claim no. 6; born: 1840 at Lake Qu'Appelle; father: Joseph Thomas (Métis); mother: Marie Adèle (Indian); married: 1862 at St. François Xavier to Alexandre Ledoux; children deceased: Alexandre, Philomène, Isabelle, Marie, Alexandre, Charles and Marie; scrip for \$160.00.

Thomas, Elise; address: Maple Creek; born: 1845 at Fort Pelly; father: Joseph Thomas (Métis); mother: Marie Adele (Indian); married: 1863 at St. François Xavier to Jean Baptiste Laframboise; children living: Catherine, Caroline, Rose, Marie, Alexandre, Adelaide, Rosalie, Louis and 1 not baptised; scrip for \$160.00; claim no. 22.

Thomas, Lalouise; address: Swift Current; born: 1847 at St. François Xavier; father: Joseph Thomas (Métis); mother: Marie Adele (Indian); married: 1867 at St. François Xavier; to David Boyer; children living: Lalouise, Marie, Eliza, Marie Joséphine, Soloman; children deceased: Alexandre, Charles, William, Bernerd; scrip for \$160.00; claim no. 841.

Thomas, Adelaide; address: Swift Current; born: 1863 at Qu'Appelle Valley; father: Joseph Thomas (Métis); mother: Marie Adele (Indian); scrip for \$240.00; claim no. 840.

Thomas, Elise. (b. 1845)

Elise was the daughter of Joseph Thomas (b. 1816) and Marie Adele Wakitipik (Michel) born 1825.⁸⁵ She married Jean Baptiste Laframboise born 1845. Jean Baptiste was born on the Souris River, 100 miles south of Brandon, the son of Jean Baptiste Laframboise (b. 1806) and Suzanne Beaudry (Gaudry, b. 1809). Elise, her brothers Bernard and Joseph and sister Lalouise were all part of this hunting band.

Thomas, Elise; address: Maple Creek; born: 1845 at Fort Pelly; father: Joseph Thomas (Métis); mother: Marie Adele (Indian); married: 1863 at St. François Xavier to Jean Baptiste Laframboise; children living: Catherine, Caroline, Rose, Marie, Alexandre, Adelaide, Rosalie, Louis and 1 not baptised; scrip for \$160.00; claim no. 22.

Thomas, Lalouise. (b. 1847)

Lalouise was the daughter of Joseph Thomas (b. 1816) and Marie Adele Wakitipik (Michel) born 1825. She married David Boyer. David Boyer was born on May 8, 1849, at Oak Lake, the son of Louis Boyer and Madeleine Trottier. Lalouise and her brothers Bernard and Joseph and sister Elise were all part of this hunting band.

Thomas, Lalouise; address: Swift Current; born: 1847 at St. François Xavier; father: Joseph Thomas (Métis); mother: Marie Adele (Indian); married: 1867 at St. François Xavier; to David Boyer; children living: Lalouise, Marie, Eliza, Marie Joséphine, Soloman; children deceased: Alexandre, Charles, William, Bernerd; scrip for \$160.00; claim no. 841.

Thomas dit Tomma, Joseph. (b. 1840)

Thomas was the son of Joaseph Thomas and Marie Wakitipik. He signed a petition for a Métis reserve in Montana, sent by Louis Riel to General Nelson A. Miles, August 6, 1880. Thomas and his brother Bernard and sisters Elise and Lalouise were all part of this hunting band.

⁸⁵ Their children were: Marguerite Thomas, born 1840 in Qu'Appelle, Saskatchewan; married Alexander Ledoux on May 18, 1863 in St. François Xavier; Joseph Thomas, born 1840; Elise Thomas dite Roussin, born 1850 in Fort Pelly; married Jean Baptiste Laframboise on August 20, 1863 in St. François Xavier; LaLouise Thomas dite Roussin, born 1847 in St. François Xavier, married David Boyer on September 6, 1866 in St. François Xavier; Charles Thomas, born 1848; François Thomas, born January 3, 1857; Bernard Thomas born December 1859 at Quu'Appelle; and Adelaide Thomas, born 1863 in Qu'Appelle.

Todd, Marie. (b. 1859)

Marie Todd was born in 1859 at Sturgeon Creek. She was an illegitimate daughter of John McCallum Todd and Marie Anne Allary. Marie was raised by her aunt and uncle, Marguerite [Allary] and Benjamin Vandal.⁸⁶

Marie married Pierre Boucher who was born on March 1, 1849 at St. Albert, the son of Pierre Boucher (b. 1824) and Amable Bruneau (b. 1828). He had first married Isabelle Breland (b. 1845) in November 1866 in Lac Ste Anne, she was the daughter of Edouard Valade Breland and Genevieve Zan-yeo "Ma-toos-kees" Mondion. Isabelle died in September of 1870 on the plains. He then married Marie Todd.

Métis Scrip;

Boucher Marie - Concerning her claim as a child - Address, High River - Born, Sturgeon Creek, 1859 - Father, John Todd, (Métis) - Mother, Marie Allary, (Métis) - Married, 1872 at St. Albert

Trottier, Alexandre Jr. (b. 1862)

Alexandre was born on July 1, 1862 the son of Michel Trottier and Marie Angelique Desjarlais. He married Catherine Lafromboise, the daughter of Jean Baptiste Laframboise and Elise Thomas in 1884 at Maple Creek.

Trottier, Alexandre Sr.

Trottier, André Jr. (1861)

Andre Jr. was born on January 10, 1810 at St. François Xavier, the son of Michel Trottier (b. 1832) and Marie Angelique Desjarlais (b. 1838). He married La Rose Laframboise (b. 1869) the daughter of Jean Baptiste Laframboise (b. 1845) and Elise Thomas (b. 1844).

Trottier, André (b. 1816)

⁸⁶ Marie Todd was another out of wedlock child of John McAllum Todd Sr., born 1859 at Sturgeon Creek, St. James. Her mother was Marie Allary (Azarie). Marie Allary, was living with Joseph Bremner at the time of her daughter's birth. Their son Joseph Bremner, born 1852 was a half brother to Marie Todd. Marie was baptized at St. Boniface Cathedral on 16 Jan. 1861. She was brought up by her aunt Marguerite Allary and uncle Benjamin Vandal. Marie married Pierre Boucher, in 1872. He was 10 years older, Marie was Pierre's second wife. His first wife was Isabelle Breland, who he married at Lac Ste. Anne, Alberta in Nov. 1866. Pierre was born at St. Albert, Alberta in January 1849 [sic]. He was the son of Pierre Boucher and Amable Bruneau.

A number of men of the Cypress Hills Hunting Brigade were present at the Battle of the Grand Coteau in 1851.⁸⁷ Andre Trottier and his brother Antoine Trottier were two of these men. Andre was the son of Andre Trottier (b. 1794) and Marguerite St. Denis dit Paquette (b. 1787). Andre married Isabel Falcon (b. 1819), the daughter of Pierre Falcon and Marie Grant. Her brother Jean Baptiste also signed this petition.

Trottier, Antoine. (b. 1834)

A number of men of the Cypress Hills Hunting Brigade were present at the Battle of the Grand Coteau in 1851. Antoine Trottier and his brother Andre Trottier were two of these men. Antoine was born August 12, 1834. He was the son of Andre Trottier and Marguerite St. Denis dit Paquette. He married Angelique Laframboise (b. 1834), the daughter of Jean Baptiste Laframboise and Suzanne Beaudry. Her sister Ursule Laframboise was married to her husband's brother Charles.

In the Canada Census of 1881 Antoine and Angelique are recorded living at Cypress Hills in Household # 50. His brother Charles is in household # 47. Living with them are children, Norbert (20), John (18), François (16), William (14), Marie (12), Isabel (10) and Philomene (8).

Antoine died at Havre, Montana in 1902. Their sons, Norbert Trottier (b. 1861) and William Trottier (b. 1864) also signed this petition.

Trottier, Charles "Wahpass" (Rabbit). (b. 1839)

Charles Trottier was born on December 9, 1839 at St. François Xavier, the son of Andre Trottier (b. 1874) and Marguerite Paquette. He married Ursule Laframboise, the daughter of Jean Baptiste Laframboise and Suzanne Beaudry on August 21, 1861 at St. François Xavier.

Charles was the leader of the Métis from Prairie-Ronde, south of Saskatoon; he had wintered there since the mid-1850s. Charles Trottier (born 1839) and Michel Trottier (born 1832) appear on 1863-64 Red Lake and Pembina Chipewa Treaty as numbers 444 and 457 when they were given Red Lake Half-breed Scrip in 1875.

Charles was a trader in the North West Territories, having hunted with his nephew Norbert Welsh for many years. His hunting band often joined with that of Isidore "Ecapow" Dumont

⁸⁷ This battle took place between a Métis buffalo hunting party from St. François Xavier, led by Jean Baptiste Falcon and the Cut Head (Pabaksa) Yanktonai (Ihanktonwanna), Dakota, led by Chief Medicine (Sacred) Bear, on July 15 to 16, 1851.

when on the plains. During the 1850s and 1860s this very large hunting band included the families of Charles Trottier, Antoine Trottier, Andre Trottier, Isidore Dumont, Norbert Welsh, Moise Landry and Jean Baptiste Laframboise.

In 1878, Charles Trottier, Augustin Laframboise and other Métis buffalo hunters at Cypress Hills wrote a petition asking for a special Métis reserve of land. They requested a re-opening of the buffalo hunt between November 14th and February 15th each year and the granting of Métis "reserve" land—A strip of land 150 miles long along the American border beginning where the Pembina River crosses the border. This strip was to be fifty miles from south to north.

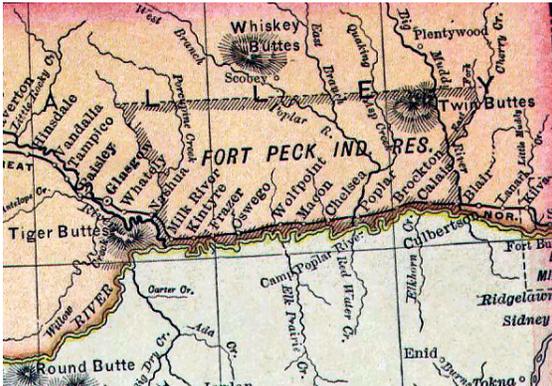
Subsequent to the petition of 1878, Charles and his group could be found at Wolf Point, Montana with the Nakota during the hunting and trading seasons. Michel Hogue reports:

Until the fall of 1881... a Métis man by the name of Charles Troché had relied on Assiniboine chief Red Stone's⁸⁸ permission to live and hunt on the reservation. Chief Red Stone and the Lower Assiniboines... had longstanding ties to the Red River Métis and a history of sharing territory with them.⁸⁹ Troche was a petty trader, and it is possible that, as such, he was also useful to the local tribes. He had successfully avoided expulsion [from Montana] in 1879 by demonstrating that the Assiniboine and Gros Ventre chiefs had permitted him to remain on the reservation [Fort Peck]. In the fall of 1881, though, it appears that he was less successful. He told Lieutenant Robert Bates that he did "not like to be

⁸⁸ By 1869, smallpox greatly reduced the numbers in the Upper Assiniboine band. To avoid the same fate, the Lower Assiniboine avoided the Upper Assiniboine and followed their chief, Red Stone, to live with the Yanktonai Sioux who had moved into the north eastern part of Montana to hunt buffalo. In 1871, the Fort Peck agency was established for the Sioux who were unable to get along with anyone other than their newly found friends, the Lower Assiniboine. The alliance between these two tribes has remains in effect to this day.

⁸⁹ The Métis allied with the Cree, Assiniboine, and Ojibwa as part of the Nehiyaw Pwat Confederacy (Nehiyaw Pwat means "Cree Assiniboine" in Cree) also known as the Iron Confederacy. The Nehiyaw Pwat Confederacy homeland stretched from the Red River on the east, to the Front Range of the Rockies in the west, and straddled the borderlands of what became the United States and Canada.

driven off, but that he would return to his camp and move north of the line at once.”⁹⁰



In the Canada Census of 1881 Charles and Ursule are recorded living at Cypress Hills in Household # 47 (Ursule’s brother Jean is recorded as Household # 48). With them are their children, Remi (20), Isidore (18), Jean Baptiste (16), Helene (14), Matilde (12), Ursule (10) and Andre (8). Their sons, Remi, Isidore and Jean Baptiste also signed the Cypress Hills Petition.

Charles spoke excellent English and French as well as over ten Aboriginal languages and was often sent as a messenger by the Métis councils. As noted earlier, he was born December 4, 1839 at St. François Xavier, the son of André Trottier and Marguerite St. Denis *dit* Pacquette. His first marriage was to Marie-Anne Parenteau, his second to Ursula Laframboise. Ursula’s brother, Augustin was living on the Muskeg Lake Reserve and was a Captain of one of the 19 companies led by Gabriel Dumont during the 1885 Métis Resistance. His son Edouard also served in his Company. He was involved in the 1885 Resistance at Duck Lake with Dumont on March 26, 1885.

Trottier was a close friend and relative of Gabriel Dumont and brought his men along with the Dakota Indians of Whitecap’s Band to fight at Batoche in April of 1885 (about 60 men in all). He and Whitecap were members of Riel’s Exovedate (Provisional Government). Among this group were three of his sons and two of his nephews. It is said that Whitecap and forty of his men had joined the Resistance under duress. However, Norbert Welsh contradicts this account.

Charles Trottier gives the following account of the battle of Tourond’s Coulee on April 24, 1885:

Up to the arrival of the first horses, I was there with Gabriel. Then I went down to the coulee, signalling with my hand to our people, and calling out, “run to the coulee, run to the coulee.” Then we tied all our horses there, and we went up the hill on foot to fire, and we began to fire, I do not know how many shots. Suddenly I saw a Sioux killed quite close to me, and then as the gun I was using was not good, I called out to another Sioux to take the gun of the dead Sioux, saying I wanted to use it. He took the gun and lent it to me. It was a double gun with horn and shot-bag. We fired again, and all of a sudden, I saw Gabriel coming towards me (I saw him first on my right); he said that he no more cartridges; I gave him those I had, for I wanted to use the double gun, and I called out to the people, “They want to pillage the coulee; we must go down and take all the horses and prevent them.” And I told a young man to take Gabriel’s horse, and I took mine; and going down the coulee I saw Gabriel and he asked me where his horse was? I told him the young men were taking it away. It was the last time I saw Gabriel, and then I tied my horse in the wood and went up the hill on the south side, and firing began on both sides, and suddenly someone called out to me, “There they are coming down the coulee with their cannon!” I looked and saw them coming down, and I shouted to the young men, “Take courage, take courage and pray to God.” Then they began firing at us with their cannon and rifles, and the balls fell like hail. It was about two in the afternoon, and I began shouting “fire, fire” and when our men began firing I saw that the police fell, and I heard the cry, “They are going to run,” and I called out “fire, fire,” and shouted for joy, and when the soldiers retreated out of the coulee, I asked the people where Gabriel was, but no one knew, and I asked continually where my children and nephews were, and I thought all our people had been killed except a few, for nobody answered me but two of my boys, and every time we stopped firing we prayed to God. Suddenly I heard a young man singing in French the song of the Bois Brule, the song of the Falcon. That gave me

⁹⁰ Michel Hogue, “Between Race and Nation: The Plains Métis and the Canada-United States Border.” Wisconsin: Ph.D. thesis, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2009: 259-260.

courage. I kept shouting, "courage, courage!" Afterwards it began to rain and hail, and I said to the people, "Don't fire now, we must wait until they come, and if they come near we'll fire altogether. It was about 5 o'clock in the evening, I called out, "Where is Johnny?" (My brother's boy), and I heard him answer about a hundred yards from us. Immediately after his answer they fired three cannon shots and some rifle shots in that direction. Some time afterwards I stood up and went to see all the people, and I said to them, "my friends we shall start away this evening, but before we leave this we must pray to God for our dead and our wounded, and also for ourselves, so that He may give us a way out of this," and I told them that "as to the wounded, those who can walk we must not leave them, we shall carry them to the groves and cover them well, and we shall go away quietly all together." I then counted the men and found but 48, with the wounded, and I said to them, "do not stir, I shall go and see my horse."...My coat was on the saddle, and while I was untying it, I saw our people on the hill shouting joyfully. When they came up I shook hands with them saying, "We are only forty-eight, and I think many have been killed." As I spoke, I saw six of our people come out of another wood, bringing our number up to fifty-four. (CSP, 1886, (No. 43), p. 20.)

Charles Trottier, along with Gabriel and Edouard Dumont, Jean Caron, Michel Dumas, Isidore Dumas and Chief Fine Day, escaped to the United States after the final battle at Batoche. On December 16, 1885, James Anderson wrote to Lieut. Governor Dewdney and indicated that there were 225 Half Breeds living at St. Peters Mission near the Sun River and noted that 25 of these families were Resistance participants from the South Saskatchewan. He names Charles Trottier and sons, Louis Sayer, Robert Jackson, John Ross Jr. and Modeste Rocheleau. Anderson reported that they were surviving by cutting wood to sell at Fort Shaw.⁹¹ Charles had a home on the Marias River in Montana near Havre. Charles Trottier later returned to Prairie-Ronde and applied for land after his return in 1903.

Trottier, Henri (Remi). (b. 1861)

⁹¹ Glenbow Institute, Edgar Dewdney fonds, Series 22, Riel Rebellion, James Anderson's Reports – 1885, M320.

Remi Trottier was born in June, 1861, the son of Charles Trottier (b. 1839) and Ursule Laframboise. Later at Maple Creek he would marry Marie Magdeleine Laframboise, the daughter of Jean Baptiste Laframboise and Elise Thomas. In the 1881 Canada Census Remi is recorded living in Household # 48 with his mother and father.

Trottier, Isidore (b. 1863)

Isidore Trottier was born on January 10, 1863, the son of Charles Trottier and Ursule Laframboise. In the 1881 Canada Census Isidore is recorded living at Cypress Hills in Household # 48 with his mother and father.

Trottier, Jean Baptiste. (b. 1864)

Jean Baptiste was born on November 5, 1864 at St. François Xavier. In the 1881 Canada Census Jean Baptiste is recorded living at Cypress Hills in Household # 48 with his mother and father.

Trottier, John. (b. 1863)

Jean Trottier was born on January 15, 1863 at St. François Xavier, the son of Antoine Trottier and Angelique Laframboise.

In the Canada Census of 1881 John is recorded with his parents Antoine and Angelique living at Cypress Hills in Household # 50.

Trottier, Michel. (1832-1885)

Michel was born at White Horse Plain, the son of André Trottier and Marguerite St. Denis *dit* Paquette. Michel married Marie Angélique Desjarlais. He then married Marguerite Landry a Cowessess Band member in 1876. Michel was the brother of Charles Trottier Sr., in 1876; Michel was issued Scrip # 57 (160 acres) under the Red Lake and Pembina Treaty.

In 1878, Michel and other Métis buffalo hunters at Cypress Hills wrote a petition asking for a special Métis reserve of land. In the Canada Census of 1881 Michel and Cecile are recorded living at Cypress Hills in Household # 46. With them are children: Andre (21), Alexandre (19), Napoleon (17), Catherine (14), François (12), Elyiaard (4), Adelaide (2) and Isidore (2). Their sons Andre, Alexandre and Napoleon also signed the Cypress Hills Petition.

This family had two children born at Crooked Lake and his wife was on the Treaty Pay list at the Duck Lake Agency. After Captain Boyer was killed, Michel Trottier was named to

succeed him.⁹² He fought and died on May 12, 1885 in the last battle of the 1885 Resistance at Batoche. He is buried at St. Antoine de Padoue Cemetery, Batoche.

Father Fourmond mentions Michel's sons from his marriage to Marie Angelique Desjarlais being active during the battle for Batoche:

Le samedi le canon près de l'église a lancé une bombe qui entre à la hauteur des solivaux, frappe un peu la planche qui tient la cave fermée où (sont les) prisonniers et sort près de l'escalier en bas—Le fils de Michel Trottier ramasse le boulet, va au bas de la porte porter la poudre de dedans et ramasse des balles des soldats, et va les faire fondre pour faire des balles pour (les) Métis.⁹³

September 16, 1886 correspondance from Indian Affairs says:

The widow [Marguerite Landry] of Michel Trottier a rebel killed at Batoche has died last month leaving three orphan children. Trottier was a non-treaty Half Breed his wife whose name appears on Little Child's Band pay sheet in 1885 as #9 Oo-oo-pie-pie-wah-wook commuted her annuity but the children are still Little Child band members. The children are with Françoise Landry [Band # 37, wife of Norbert Landry] whose application for withdrawal from treaty has been forwarded. I would like to have two of the children admitted to the industrial school. The girl is almost 10 and the boy 7 years. Permission letter granted Sept 21, 1886

Trottier, Norbert. (b. 1861)

Norbert Trottier was born on March 6, 1861 at Humboldt, the son of Antoine Trottier and Angelique Laframboise.

In the Canada Census of 1881 Norbert is recorded with his parents Antoine and Angelique living at Cypress Hills in Household # 50. Norbert, his brothers John and William and father Antoine all signed the Cypress Hills Petition.

Norbert married Eliza Fisher, the daughter of John Fisher and Elizabeth Brabant. Eliza Fisher was born in 1858 near Fort Qu'Appelle.

⁹² SHM, p. 44.

⁹³ Cloutier, Vol. 2, p. 34 (Payment transcript). Michel's sons were André (b. 1861), Alexandre (b. 1862), Napoleon (b. 1863) and François (b. 1869), however, we are not able to ascertain which boys are referenced here.

She was first married to Jean Baptiste Desmarais on May 25, 1875 at Lebret; they had four children. She then married Norbert Trottier on August 26, 1885 at Lebret. Their daughter Virginie Trottier was born August 4, 1886 at Lebret. Daughter Rosalie Trottier was born on October 11, 1889.

Scrip Applications:

Trottier, Norbert. (b. 1860) - Concerning his claim as a child - Address, Indian Head - Born, 6 March, 1860 at Humboldt - Father, Antoine Trottier, (Métis) - Mother, Angelique Laframboise, (Métis) - Claim 128.



Photo: Norbert Trottier and his wife Elise (Eliza) Fisher (seated). Their daughter Rosalie and son in law, Andre Trottier are on the right. The grandchildren pictured are David and Edward; Lucy and Annie. Photo courtesy of Mark Calette

Trottier, William. (b. 1864)

William was born on November 7, 1864 at St. François Xavier, the son of Antoine Trottier and Angelique Laframboise. In the Canada Census of 1881 William is recorded with his parents Antoine and Angelique living at Cypress Hills in Household # 50. William, his brothers John and Norbert and father Antoine all signed the Cypress Hills Petition.

William Trottier was a band member of Cowessess Band at Crooked Lake.

Turcotte, Marguerite. (b. 1853)

Marguerite was born on December 23, 1853 at St. Boniface, the daughter of Vital Turcotte (b. 1818) and Madeleine Caplette. She married Peter Bremner in 1870 at St. Boniface. Peter was born on December 14, 1845, at St. François Xavier, the son of William Bremner and Marie Garipey. He was a Turtle Mountain Band member

Turner (Tanner), Jean Baptiste.

Jean Apitchito Tanner was born on August 20, 1853, the son of Thomas DeCorby Tanner and Marie Neshotokoway Neukatek Ledoux of the Qu'Appelle Valley. Jean Turner (Pee-chee-too) was married to Victoire Boyer (Métis), they also lived in the Qu'Appelle Valley. Victoria Boyer, born August 2, 1854 at St. François Xavier was the daughter of Louis Boyer and Madeleine Trottier. She died south of Wood Mountain in 1881. Victoria's brother David Boyer is also listed here as one of the petitioners.

Vallee, Marie (b. 1850)

Marie was the daughter of Joseph Vallee and Louise Page. She married William Davis. William "Kug-kay-dway-wash-kung" Davis (b. 1823) is listed on the 1850 Pembina census as a hunter as family #116. William is shown as age 26, his wife Marie Vallee as age 20 and their son William as age six. William was born at Red River, the son of Jean Baptiste Davis and Betsy Josette, La Saulteuse. They moved to Pembina in the late 1840s. He married Marie Enno Heneault, then Marie Vallée at Pembina in 1862. William was also a counsellor for chiefs Little Shell II and III.

Vallée, Moïse. (1832-1888)

Moïse Vallee was born April 10, 1832, the son of Louis Vallee; born circa 1801 and Louise Martel. Moïse married Lareine Elise Davis the daughter of Jena Baptiste Davis and Julie Desnominé. They had fifteen children born on the plains at Wood Mountain, and in the Qu'Appelle Valley at Lebret, and Katepwa.

Diary entries from Moïse Vallée, the winter of 1887, Edmonton.

Sixty or so Métis families (lived at Chimney Coulee) in the 1870s. Chimney Coulee was our winter home for a time, a refuge especially after the NWMP came to post there. They watched us like hawks - we French - and we had good influence with the Indians. We advised them on their treaties. The English knew that.

In the summer we, most anyway, traveled to Qu'Appelle, across the prairie before the grass grew up to your knee, just as the water was running in trickles and the buffalo moved in to graze; unpredictable herds. The carts could get stuck in the snow left over.

Versailles, Euphrosine. (b. c. 1834)

Euphrosine was the daughter of Pierre Versailles (b. 1801) and Josephite Letendré. She married Jean Baptiste Racette, the son of George Racette and Françoise Guilbeau before 1853.

Vilbrune, Joseph. (b. 1838)

Joseph was born at St. Boniface in 1838, the son of Louis Villebrun and Louise Collin. He married Marie Robillard, the daughter of Jean Baptiste Robillard and Catherine Ducharme on May 10, 1864 at St. Boniface. They lived at St. Boniface, Cypress Hills and at Lebret. In the 1881 Canada Census Joseph and Marie are recorded as Household # 16 in Cypress Hills. Children listed are: Philomene (13), William (3) and Adeline (1).

Vital, Henri**Ward, Marguerite. (b. 1832)**

Marguerite was born at Edmonton, the daughter of John Ward (b. 1806) and Angelique Bruyere. She married Alexis Malaterre, the son of Jean Baptiste Malaterre and Angelique Adam in 1850 at St. François Xavier.

Malaterre, Jérémie; for his deceased sister, Marie Marguerite Malaterre; address: Belcourt, P.O. [Post Office]; born: 1875 at Broken Shell; father: Alexis Malaterre (deceased Métis); mother: Marguerite Ward (deceased Métis); died: 1892; heirs: Jérémie Malterre, \$30.00; Éliza Blandeau, \$30.00; Zacharie Malaterre, \$30.00; Alexis Malaterre, \$30.00; Louis Napoléon Malaterre, \$30.00; Adèle Lenoir, \$30.00; Justine Langer, \$30.00; Léonide Hamelin, \$10.00; Patna Hamelin, \$10.00; Robina Hamelin, \$10.00; file ref. 983256; claim no. 160.

Wallet: See Ouellette.**Wallette: See Ouellette.****Wallet (Ouellette) Joseph Jr. (b. 1852)****Welsh, Albert****Welsh, Damase.****Welsh, Joseph.****Welsh, Joshon Jr.**

Welsh, Neddy: See Wills

Welsh, Norbert dit Lallemand. (1845-1932)

Norbert Welsh was born of Métis parents at Red River on the Assiniboine River on August 15, 1845; his mother was a Charlotte Sauvé the daughter of Jean Baptiste Sauvé and Marguerite (Saulteaux). His father was François Xavier Welsh. Norbert married Cecile Boyer and they moved to Cypress Hills in 1874, Lebret in 1877, and Round Prairie sometime before 1884.⁹⁴ His wife was the daughter of Métis trader Louis Boyer and Madeleine Trottier. His wife's grandfather was the famous buffalo hunter Andre Trottier. Norbert and Cecile were married on May 27, 1867 at St. François Xavier. They had ten children; only five survived past childhood.

Norbert Welsh started out hauling freight between Red River and St. Paul for Andrew Bannatyne, dry goods merchant and fur trader. Subsequently, Welsh began trading to the west on his own account but still obtained all his trade goods from Bannatyne. As a trader and buffalo hunter, Welsh travelled throughout the West and were able to give narratives full of interesting details about frontier customs and the social life of the time. Welsh participated in his first buffalo hunt in 1862. After the demise of the great buffalo herds, he turned to farming, ranching and freighting.

Norbert Welsh was a signatory to an 1878 Métis petition requesting a re-opening of the buffalo hunt between November 14th and February 15th each year and the granting of Métis "reserve" land: a strip of land 150 miles long along the American border beginning where the Pembina River crosses the border and west to the area south of Cypress Hills. This strip was to be fifty miles from south to north. All the buffalo hunting families of the day signed this, the Trottiers, Dumont's, Delormes, Gaddy, Welsh, Brelands, Whitfords and Ouelettes.

⁹⁴ Charles Trottier, Norbert Welsh's uncle, was the leader of this settlement in later years and noted that he began living there in 1855 when traveling with his parents to hunt buffalo on the plains. Charles was a trader in the North West Territories, having hunted with Norbert Welsh for many years. He was the son of André Trottier and Marguerite Pacquette. His first marriage was to Marie-Anne Parenteau, his second to Ursula Laframboise. In 1878, Charles and other Métis buffalo hunters at Cypress Hills wrote a petition asking for a special Métis reserve of land.

In 1878 Welsh moved from St. Charles⁹⁵ to Fort Qu'Appelle and built a log house on the flats at Lebret. For the next few years he continued to trade and hunt buffalo, wintering at the Cypress Hills, returning to Lebret each summer.

When interviewed by Mary Weekes he was living in the house he had built at Lebret in 1878. In her biography of Welsh, he provides insights into some of the people he knew and lived with, including Louis Riel, Gabriel Dumont, Poundmaker, and Sitting Bull. After the Resistance of 1885, Welsh was a successful rancher and merchant who lived at Lebret until 1931. Mary Weekes met Welsh in 1931 when he was eighty-seven. He agreed to have her record his stories; they then spent several months on this task.

During the 1885 Northwest Resistance, Gabriel Dumont, an old hunting companion, tried to get Welsh involved. He sent François Vermette and Napoleon Carrière to Prairie Ronde to bring the Métis and White Cap's Dakota group north to Batoche. They proceeded to Prairie Ronde on snowshoes and presented tobacco to White Cap and Charles Trottier.

Norbert Welsh tells the following story:

I heard a big noise around my house... there were about forty men on horseback surrounding my house. I opened the door and two men, Carrière and François Vermette, tried to enter, but I closed and locked the door. ... the Half-Breeds spoke through the door. They told me that I would hand things out when [my friend] White Cap came along... White Cap had some of his band with him, but most of the crowd was Half-Breeds.⁹⁶

The next morning White Cap returned and Welsh asked if they had orders to get his supplies. Vermette and Carrière replied that Gabriel Dumont and Maxime Lépine had given them definite orders to seize his stores. White Cap and Charles Trottier then forced him to travel north with them toward Saskatoon. There were about forty men in White Cap's brigade and about twenty in Trottier's group. Welsh got away from the group at Saskatoon. When White Cap and

⁹⁵ In the 1870 Census, Norbert and Cecile (Boyer) and his brother François and Mary (Hogue) are shown on Lots #14-16 in St. Charles.

⁹⁶ Norbert Welsh (As told to Mary Weeks), *The Last Buffalo Hunter*. Saskatoon: Fifth House Publishers [reprint], 1994: 157-161.

Trottier⁹⁷ got to their camp two miles past Saskatoon they sent Welsh's brother-in-law Frank Boyer to return and get him, but Welsh declined.⁹⁸

Later he was arrested by the Militia who suspected him of being one of Riel's supporters. Subsequently he took a ranch near the File Hills Indian Agency and started a store. His wife, Cecilia Boyer, died in 1902 and one year later he married Marguerite McDougall, the widow of Jean McDougall. She was the daughter of Joseph Hogue and Pelagie Turcotte of St. Charles. Norbert's brother François Welsh was married to Mary Anne Hogue, the aunt to Norbert's wife. In 1904 Norbert sold his ranch and moved back to Lebret where he also ran a store, butcher shop and livery service between Lebret and Qu'Appelle. Welsh died in 1932 and was buried at Lebret. His wife, Marguerite, moved to Winnipeg where she married Louise Desmarais in 1942.

The surviving children of Norbert and Cecilia were:

- Albert Welsh who married Annie Racette.
- Frank Welsh who married Veronique Beaulieu.
- Emily Welsh who married Baptiste Blondeau.
- William "Jack" Welsh (b. 1889) who married Claire McDougall

The surviving children of Norbert and Marguerite were:

- Claire McDougall (b. 1897) who married Jack Welsh (above).
- Cecile Welsh who married Charles Robinson.
- Edmond Welsh who married Katherine Bowman.
- Joseph Welsh who married Edith Wagner.
- Jeanne Marie Welsh (b. 1912) who married Joseph Lepine.

Métis scrip;

Scrip affidavit for Welsh, Norbert; born: August 15, 1844; father: François Xavier

⁹⁷ Charles Trottier was Norbert Welsh's uncle so he really had nothing to fear from him. Welsh's mother-in-law, Madeleine Trottier was the sister of Charles Trottier. Welsh was married to Cecile Boyer, Frank Boyer's sister.

⁹⁸ *Op. cit.*

Welsh; mother: Charlotte Welsh; claim no: 2885; scrip no: 12375; date of issue: December 10, 1878; amount: \$160.

Scrip affidavit for Welsh, Cécile; born: March 1843; husband: Norbert Welsh; father: Louison Boner (Métis); mother: Madeleine Trottier (Métis); claim no: 2886; scrip no: 12376; date of issue: December 10, 1878; amount: \$160

Welsh, François Xavier; address: File Hills; born: 28 January, 1876 at Cypress Hills; father: Norbert Welsh (Métis); mother: Cecile Boyer (Métis); scrip cert.: form C, no. 200; claim no. 426.

Welsh, Emilie (wife of St. Pierre Blondeau); address: File Hills; born: 4 March, 1874 at Saskatoon, Saskatchewan; father: Norbert Welsh (Métis); mother: Cecile Boyer (Métis); scrip cert.: form C, no. 150; claim no. 353.

Welsh, Norbert; heir to his deceased children: Marie Philoméne, born: 1878 at Qu'Appelle; died: 28 November, 1880; Philoméne, born: 7 August, 1881 at Qu'Appelle; died: 18 September, 1889; Victoire, born: 11 May, 1883 at Qu'Appelle; died: 23 May, 1890; John, born: 4 June, 1885 at Qu'Appelle; died: 3 June, 1886; address: File Hills; father: Norbert Welsh (Métis and deponent); mother: Cecile Boyer (Métis); Marie Philoméne, scrip cert.: form F, no. 62; Philoméne, scrip cert.: form F, no. 64; Victoire, scrip cert.: form F, no. 66; John, scrip cert.: form F, no. 68; claim no. 514.

Scrip affidavit for Welsh, William; father: Norbert Welsh (Métis & deponent); mother: Boyer; children: William, born: March 1, 1867; Marie Cécile, born: December 5, 1869; wish their share in allotment of land set apart for Métis children

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Mary Weekes, *The Last Buffalo Hunter (Account of Norbert Welsh)*. Toronto: Macmillan, 1945. First published in 1939 by Thomas Nelson and Sons and now reprinted, Calgary: Fifth House Ltd., 1994.

Welsh, Samuel

Welsh, William. (b. 1868)

William was the son of Norbert Welsh and Cecile Boyer.

Welsh, Xavier. (b. 1842)

This is likely François Xavier Welsh, the brother of Norbert Welsh and son of François Xavier Welsh Sr. and Charlotte Sauve. His third marriage in 1869 was to Ernestine Page, the daughter of Alexandre Page and Adelaide Lepine.

Welsy, John. (see John Wills)

Wills (Wells, Welsh), Donald (Daniel). (b. 1835)

Donald was born on December 20, 1835 or 1840, at St. François Xavier the son of Edouard Wills and Isabelle McGillis. Donald married Louise Collins (b. 1833)⁹⁹ His sister Priscille Wills was married to Jerome Lafournaise who also signed this petition.

Wills (Wells, Welsh), Edouard “Neddy.” (b. 1806)

Edouard was born in Winnipeg 1806, the son of John Wills and Josephite Marguerite Grant. In 1850 Edouard, his wife Isabella (McGillis) and their four children were enumerated in the census as living with Charles Belgard, family #73 at Pembina. He is listed as a 38 year-old hunter. Edouard and his son Edward took part in the Battle of the Grand Coteau in 1851. This was a confrontation between a Métis buffalo hunting party from St. François Xavier, led by Jean Baptiste Falcon and the Cut Head (Pabaksa) Yanktonai (Ihanktonwanna) Dakota, led by Chief Medicine (Sacred) Bear, on July 15 to 16, 1851.

In 1866 Edouard left Manitoba; he had a house at St. François Xavier; he went west following the buffalo. From 1866 to 1881 they always wintered in the Cypress Hills or Wood Mountain. On July 15, 1870 he was living at Wood Mountain. At the time he applied for scrip he had spent the last five years as a resident of Lewistown, Montana.

He married on October 10, 1836 to Isabella McGillis (b. 1819) at St. François Xavier, the daughter of Angus McGillis and Marguerite Notinikabon. They had seven children living (all but one living in the Battle River Settlement), and eight deceased at the time of application. Their

⁹⁹ Louise is shown on the Pembina Annuity Roll, for Little Shell's Band in 1866 along with her parents and siblings. Her father Jean Baptiste Collins appears on "List of Persons to Whom Scrip was Issued under Red Lake & Pembina Treaties...." Halfbreed Scrip No. 257 issued December 20, 1873.

son Edouard Jr. signed Louis Riel's 1880 petition for a Métis reserve in Montana.

In 1878, the Half-Breeds living in the vicinity of Cypress Hills petitioned the government for their own reserve. This is a petition requested a re-opening of the buffalo hunt between November 14th and February 15th each year and the granting of Métis "reserve" land. The request was for a strip of land 150 miles long along the American border beginning where the Pembina River crosses the border, running west for 150 miles into Saskatchewan. This strip was to be fifty miles from south to north. The petition did not receive a favourable response. The Wills family members who signed this petition were:

- Edouard "Neddy" Wills (b. 1806)
- Edward Wills (b. 1832). His father-in-law Charles Demontigny also signed.
- Daniel Donald Wills (b.c. 1840).
- Johny Thomas (b. 1851), married Louise Wilkie (b.c. 1865), the daughter of Alexander Wilkie and Louise Gariepy on March 14, 1883.
- Gregoire Wills (b. 1853) Gregoire was born in April of 1853 at Pembina, N.D. He married Rose Ross, the daughter of Roderick Ross and Marie Delorme. His father-in-law Roderick Ross also signed this petition.
- James Wills (b. 1858), married Marguerite Berger.
- Son-in-law Jerome Lafournaise (b. 1847) husband of Priscilla Wills.
- Son-in-law William Laframboise (b. 1853) husband of Marie LaRose Wills

On September 17, 1886 Edouard received his Métis Scrip. In his application he states that he had left St. François Xavier in 1866 to follow the buffalo. From 1866 to 1881 his family had always wintered at Cypress Hills. On July 15, 1870, he states he was living at Wood Mountain and thus was eligible for scrip under the Dominion Lands Act. At the time of his 1886 application he said he had been living for five years at Lewiston, Montana. He gave his occupation as farmer, hunter and freighter. At the time of application he listed his seven living children as:

- Edward (b. 1832 near Fort Ellice), married Marie Demontigny (b. 1841), the daughter of Charles Demontigny and Marie Desjarlais in 1863 at St. François Xavier.

- Donald (b. 1840)
- Priscilla Antoinette (b. 1847) the wife of Jerome Laboucane dit Lafournaise, living at Battle River.
- Johny Thomas (b. 1851), married Louise Wilkie (b.c. 1865), the daughter of Alexander Wilkie and Louise Gariepy on March 14, 1883.
- Marie Virginie (b. 1851) at Pembina, the wife of Michel Langevin.
- Appoline, the wife of Joseph Laverdure
- James "Jean" (b. 1858), married Marguerite Berger, the daughter of Isaie Berger and Clemence Gorneau.

He listed his eight deceased children as:

- Jean Wills, born 1838 and died on October 30, 1840 at SFX.
- Marie (b. 1841) married George Muller.
- Mary
- Allan Akmund (b. 1844).
- Can't remember name: A child who died before transfer. Probably James Wills, b. 1859.
- Magdeleine, born May 15, 1856 at Pembina, died 1879.
- Gregoire Alphonse, (b. 1857) died 1880. He had married Rose Ross.
- Marie LaRose, (b. 1861 at Pembina). She married William Laframboise, the son of François Laframboise and Marie Trottier. She died 1880.

Family Scrip:

Wells Sr., Edouard; address: Lewiston, U.S.A.; born: 1806 at Winnipeg; father: Wells (Irishman); mother: Marguerite Grant (Métis); married: 1829 at St. François Xavier to Isabelle McGillis; children living: Edouard; Donald; Priscilla, wife of Jerome Laboucane; John; Virginie, wife of Michel Langevin; Apolline, wife of Joseph Laverdure; James; children deceased: John, Marie, Allan, cannot remember name, Madeleine, Larose, Gregoire; scrip for \$160.00; claim no. 889.

Wells, Edouard; heir to his deceased daughter, Madeleine Wells; address: Battleford; born: 1859 on the Plains; died: April, 1877 at Cypress Hills; father: Edouard Wells (Métis and deponent); mother: Isabelle McGillis (Métis); scrip for \$240.00; claim no. 912.

Wells, Priscilla; address: Lafournaise Settlement; Battle River; born: 1846 at St.

François Xavier; father: Edward Wells (Métis); mother: Isabelle McGillis (Métis); married: at St. Joe to Jerome Lafournaise, dit Laboucane; children: details on husband's application; scrip for \$160.00; claim no. 167.

Wells, Rose née Ross - Concerning the claim of her deceased husband, a Métis child Gregoire Wells - Born, 1857 - Died, August, 1880 - Address, Qu'Appelle Settlement - Father, Edward Wells, (Métis) - Mother, Isabelle McGillis, (Métis) - Married, April, 1876 at Cypress Hills to Rose Ross - Heirs, Rose Ross, (widow and deponent) and Alexandre Wells, born 1878 - Claim 181

Welsh, Edward; address: Lewiston, Montana; born: 1832 near Fort Ellice; father: Edouard Welsh (Métis); mother: Isabelle McGillis (Métis); claim no. 760

Lafournaise, Jerome; for his minor son, Joseph Lafournaise; claim no. 3353; address: Duhamel; born: 1884 at Duhamel; father: Jerome Lafournaise (Métis and deponent); mother: Priscille Welsh (Métis); scrip cert.: form E, no. 2586.

Lafournaise, Jerome; heir to his deceased son, François Lafournaise; claim no. 3352; address: Duhamel; born: 1876 at Cypress Hills; father: Jerome Lafournaise (Métis and deponent); mother: Priscille Welsh (Métis); died: March, 1884; scrip cert.: form F, no. 1362.

Wills (Wells, Welsh), Edward. (1832-37-1919)

Edouard Wills was born at St. François Xavier, on August 11, 1837, the son of Edouard Wills and Isabelle McGillis. He married Marie DeMontigny the daughter of Charles DeMontigny and Marie Desjarlais in 1863. His sister Priscille Wills was married to Jerome Lafournaise who also signed this petition. His father-in-law Charles Demontigny also signed this petition.

Children of Edouard and Marie:

- Marie Ernestine, born April 8, 1864. She married Antoine Fleury, the son of Antoine Fleury and Elizabeth Wilkie.
- Mary Natalie, born circa 1865, she married Daniel Laverdure, the son of Pierre Laverdure and Catherine Charette, in 1883.
- Sarah Ann, born circa 1867.
- Samuel, born November 18, 1870.
- Florenstine, born December 6, 1871.
- Jean Marie, born December 3, 1873.

- Marie Alexina, born February 6, 1876, she married Joseph Laverdure, the son of Pierre Laverdure and Catherine Charette, in 1883. The two sisters, Alexina and Natalie married the two Laverdure brothers, Daniel and Joseph on the same day, April 10, 1883.
- Antoine, born November 20, 1878, died at Lewistown June 1, 1949.
- Edward, born 1885, died at Lewistown, December 11, 1948.

Welsh, Edward; address: Lewiston, Montana; born: 1832 near Fort Ellice; father: Edouard Welsh (Métis); mother: Isabelle McGillis (Métis); claim no. 760

Wills, Elise Mary. (b.1856)

Elise was the daughter of John Wills (b. 1799) and Mary McKay (daughter of John Richards McKay and Harriet Ballendine). She married Daniel Ledoux, the son of Eusebe Ledoux and Louise Desjarlais in 1869 at St. François Xavier.

Wills (Wells, Welsh), Gregoire (b. 1853)

Gregoire Wills was born on April 28, 1853 at Pembina, N.D. the son of Edouard Wills and Isabelle McGillis. He married Rose Ross, the daughter of Roderick Ross and Marie Delorme. His father-in-law Roderick Ross also signed this petition.

Wills (Wells, Welsh), James. (b. 1859)

James Wills was born on November 29, 1859 at Fort Qu'Appelle, the son of Edouard Wills and Isabelle McGillis.

Wills (Wells, Welsh), John (b. 1848)

John was one of the Métis at Fort Walsh who submitted a petition, on behalf of the Métis of the four districts of Assiniboia to join Treaty 4, on September 7, 1876.

John Wills was born on December 27, 1848 at St. François Xavier, the son of Edouard Wills and Isabelle McGillis. He married Marie Philomene Ouellette, the daughter of Antoine "Ratte" Ouellette and Angelique Bottineau, in Montana in 1887. In 1874 John received Half Breed Scrip pursuant to the 1864 Treaty with the Red Lake and Pembina Bands of Chippewa Indians (Scrip #390).

A number of the men who were involved in the 1878 Cypress Hills Petition for a reserve had petitioned two years earlier for admission into Treaty Four as a collective. On September 7,

1876, thirty Métis at Fort Walsh submitted a petition on behalf of the Métis of the four districts of Assiniboia, N.W.T. to join Treaty 4. One of the men who signed both of these petitions was John Wills (b. 1848).

Wills (Wells), Marie Rose. (b. 1862)

Marie rose was the daughter of Edouard Wills and Isabelle McGillis. She married William Laframboise the son of François Laframboise and Marie Trottier circa 1877.

Wills (Wells), Priscilla. (b. 1847)

Priscilla was the daughter of Edouard Wills and Isabelle McGillis. She married Jerome Lafournaise, the son of Jean Baptiste Lafournaise and Marguerite Gosselin.

Whitford, James Sr. (1827-1908)

Jimmy Whitford was born at St. John's on Jan. 10, 1827, the son of François Whitford and Marie Gladue, the daughter of Charles Gladu and Marguerite Ross. He married Marguerite Fagnant, daughter of Jean Baptiste Fagnant and Josephte Monet dit Belhumeur in 1852. Their four sons are listed below and their daughter Marie were all part of the Cypress Hills hunting band.

Their daughter Marie born November 6, 1852 married Jean Baptiste Desjarlais, the son of Antoine Desjarlais¹⁰⁰ and Louise Richard, in 1874 at SFX. They were members of the Cypress Hills Métis group and Jean Baptiste Desjarlais signed the petition.

James' sister Sarah (b. 1834) was married to Peter Hourie (b. 1827) who ran the HBC Qu'Appelle Post and later became farm instructor on Crooked Lake Reserve. James died in 1908 at Willow Bunch.

Scrip application:

Whitford, James; heir to his deceased daughter, Isabelle; Whitford; address: Willow Bunch; born: July, 1877 between Oxbow and; Estevan; died: 4 days old; father: James Whitford (Métis and deponent); mother: Marguerite Fayant (Métis); scrip cert.: form F, no. 1808; claim no. 1233.

In this application James said he was at Willow Bunch for ten years, previously at Griswold 8 years and "on the plains". He says Isabelle was baptized by his sister-in-law Isabelle McGillis.

¹⁰⁰ Antoine was an HBC interpreter at FortEllice 1857-58.

Whitford, John; address: Willow Bunch; born: 3 October, 1874 at Saskatoon, Saskatchewan; father: James Whitford (Métis); mother: Marguerite Fayant (deceased Métis); scrip cert.: form E, no. 90; claim no. 90.

Whitford, James; address: Dunseith; born: 10 January, 1881 at Oak Lake; father: James Whitford (Métis); mother: Sarah Gladu (Métis); scrip cert.: form C, no. 440; claim no. 793.

James Jr. says he has been living at Belcourt N.D. for thirteen years.

Whitford, Elzear. (b. 1859)

Elzear was born on February 6, 1859 the son of James F. Whitford and Marguerite Fagnant.

Whitford, James Jr. (b. 1854)

James was born at Pembina on September 14, 1854, the son of James F. Whitford and Marguerite Fagnant. He married Sarah Gladue, the daughter of Antoine Gladue (see above) and Catherine Fagnant. James and his sons Louis (b. 1861) and Maxime (b. 1856) signed the Cypress Hills petition.

Scrip application:

Re: Whitford, James; heir to her deceased son, William Whitford; address: Willow Bunch; born: October, 1872 at Moose Mountain; died: 1874 at St. François Xavier; father: James Whitford (Métis and deponent); mother: Marguerite Fayant (Métis); scrip cert.: form D, no 120; claim no. 89.

Whitford, Sarah, now Lafontaine, née Gladu, formerly wife of James Whitford, now wife of Louis Lafontaine; for her deceased son, Joseph Whitford; address: Dunseith; born: 8 January, 1884 at Oak Lake; died: November, 1891 at Grande Clairière; father: James Whitford (deceased Métis); mother: Sarah Gladu (Métis and deponent); heirs: Sarah Lafontaine, Marie Philoméne, Poitras, scrip cert.: form D, no. 3207, James Whitford, Elzear Whitford, Virginie Lafontaine, Rose Marie Lafontaine, Desire

Lafontaine, Lena Lafontaine; scrip issued for \$30.00 to each heir; file ref. 795502; claim no. 3497.

This claim was denied as the family was on the rolls of the Turtle Mountain Band.

Whitford, Louis Napoleon. (b. 1861)

Louis was born September 8, 1861, the son of James F. Whitford and Marguerite Fagnant. Louis married Marie Rose Langan the daughter of Jean Baptiste Langan and Angelique St. Germain. They eventually settled at Willow Bunch.

Children:

- Elzear, born 1883.
- Marie, born 1884 at Moose Mountain, she married Pierre Tobie McGillis.
- Louis Ovila, born 1901 at Willow Bunch.
- Louis Pierre, born 1902 at Willow Bunch.
- Joseph Maxime, born 1903 at Willow Bunch.
- Jean Napoleon, born 1909 at Willow Bunch, he married Elizabeth Falcon in 1930 at Great Falls, Montana.

Whitford, Maxime (b. 1856)

Maxime was born November 16, 1856, the son of James F. Whitford and Marguerite Fagnant. Maxime married Adelaide Campbell the daughter of Louis Campbell and Marie Thomas, on June 8, 1894 at Dunvegan, Alberta.

Children:

- Alexander James.
- Caroline, born c. 1899 near Birch Creek. She married Malcolm Yellowbird Mitchell.
- Mary Jane.